PREA Facility Audit Report: Final

Name of Facility: Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility

Facility Type: Prison / Jail

Date Interim Report Submitted: NA **Date Final Report Submitted:** 03/20/2023

Auditor Certification	
The contents of this report are accurate to the best of my knowledge.	
No conflict of interest exists with respect to my ability to conduct an audit of the agency under review.	
I have not included in the final report any personally identifiable information (PII) about any inmate/resident/detainee or staff member, except where the names of administrative personnel are specifically requested in the report template.	
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AUDITOR INFORMATION		
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Start Date of On- Site Audit:	02/14/2023	
End Date of On-Site Audit:	02/15/2023	

FACILITY INFORMATION		
Facility name:	Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility	
Facility physical address:	2610 North 20th Street East, Omaha, Nebraska - 68110	
Facility mailing address:		

Primary Contact	
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Facility PREA Compliance Manager		
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Facility Characteristics		
Designed facility capacity:	76	
Current population of facility:	58	
Average daily population for the past 12 months:	69	
Has the facility been over capacity at any point in the past 12 months?	No	
Which population(s) does the facility hold?	Males	
Age range of population:	16-66	
Facility security levels/inmate custody levels:	Maximum, Medium, Minimum.	
Does the facility hold youthful inmates?	Yes	
Number of staff currently employed at the facility who may have contact with inmates:	86	
Number of individual contractors who have contact with inmates, currently authorized to enter the facility:	5	
Number of volunteers who have contact with inmates, currently authorized to enter the facility:	76	

AGENCY INFORMATION			
Name of agency:	Nebraska Department of Correctional Services		
Governing authority or parent agency (if applicable):			
Physical Address:	801 W Prospector Place, PO Box 94661, Lincoln, Nebraska - 68509		
Mailing Address:	PO Box 94661, Lincoln, Nebraska - 68509		
Telephone number:	4024712654		

Agency Chief Executive Officer Information:				
Name	9:			
Email Address	5:			
Telephone Numbe	r:			
Agency-Wide PR	EA Coordinator I	nform	nation	
Name:	Danielle Reynolds	Em	ail Address:	danielle.reynolds@nebraska.gov
SUMMARY OF AU	IDIT FINDINGS			
The OAS automatically populates the number and list of Standards exceeded, the number of Standards met, and the number and list of Standards not met. Auditor Note: In general, no standards should be found to be "Not Applicable" or "NA." A compliance determination must be made for each standard. In rare instances where an auditor determines that a standard is not applicable, the auditor should select "Meets Standard" and include a comprehensive discussion as to why the standard is not applicable to the facility being audited.				
Number of standards exceeded:				
1		• 115.33 - Inmate education		
Number of standards met:				
44				
Number of standards not met:				
		0		

POST-AUDIT REPORTING INFORMATION GENERAL AUDIT INFORMATION **On-site Audit Dates** 1. Start date of the onsite portion of the 2023-02-14 audit: 2. End date of the onsite portion of the 2023-02-15 audit: Outreach Yes 10. Did you attempt to communicate with community-based organization(s) or victim advocates who provide (No services to this facility and/or who may have insight into relevant conditions in the facility? **AUDITED FACILITY INFORMATION** 14. Designated facility capacity: 76 69 15. Average daily population for the past 12 months: 16. Number of inmate/resident/detainee 3 housing units: Yes 17. Does the facility ever hold youthful inmates or youthful/juvenile detainees? O No Not Applicable for the facility type audited (i.e., Community Confinement Facility or Juvenile Facility)

Audited Facility Population Characteristics on Day One of the Onsite Portion of the Audit

Inmates/Residents/Detainees Population Characteristics on Day One of the Onsite Portion of the Audit

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36. Enter the total number of inmates/ residents/detainees in the facility as of the first day of onsite portion of the audit:	60	
37. Enter the total number of youthful inmates or youthful/juvenile detainees in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:	8	
38. Enter the total number of inmates/ residents/detainees with a physical disability in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:	0	
39. Enter the total number of inmates/ residents/detainees with a cognitive or functional disability (including intellectual disability, psychiatric disability, or speech disability) in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:	1	
40. Enter the total number of inmates/ residents/detainees who are Blind or have low vision (visually impaired) in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:	0	
41. Enter the total number of inmates/ residents/detainees who are Deaf or hard-of-hearing in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:	0	
42. Enter the total number of inmates/ residents/detainees who are Limited English Proficient (LEP) in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:	0	

43. Enter the total number of inmates/ residents/detainees who identify as lesbian, gay, or bisexual in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:	0	
44. Enter the total number of inmates/ residents/detainees who identify as transgender or intersex in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:	0	
45. Enter the total number of inmates/ residents/detainees who reported sexual abuse in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:	0	
46. Enter the total number of inmates/ residents/detainees who disclosed prior sexual victimization during risk screening in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:	0	
47. Enter the total number of inmates/ residents/detainees who were ever placed in segregated housing/isolation for risk of sexual victimization in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:	0	
48. Provide any additional comments regarding the population characteristics of inmates/residents/detainees in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit (e.g., groups not tracked, issues with identifying certain populations):	No text provided.	
Staff, Volunteers, and Contractors Population Characteristics on Day One of the Onsite Portion of the Audit		
49. Enter the total number of STAFF, including both full- and part-time staff, employed by the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:	86	

50. Enter the total number of VOLUNTEERS assigned to the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit who have contact with inmates/residents/detainees:	76
51. Enter the total number of CONTRACTORS assigned to the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit who have contact with inmates/residents/detainees:	5
52. Provide any additional comments regarding the population characteristics of staff, volunteers, and contractors who were in the facility as of the first day of the onsite portion of the audit:	No text provided.
INTERVIEWS	
Inmate/Resident/Detained	e Interviews
Random Inmate/Resident/Detain	ee Interviews
53. Enter the total number of RANDOM INMATES/RESIDENTS/DETAINEES who were interviewed:	8
54. Select which characteristics you considered when you selected RANDOM INMATE/RESIDENT/DETAINEE interviewees: (select all that apply)	 Age Race Ethnicity (e.g., Hispanic, Non-Hispanic) Length of time in the facility Housing assignment Gender Other None

55. How did you ensure your sample of RANDOM INMATE/RESIDENT/DETAINEE interviewees was geographically diverse?	During the first meeting with the agency, upon arrival to the state, the PREA Coordinator provided a resident roster with inmate name, ID number, housing unit, room, race, date of birth, age and received date. Once targeted residents were chosen, eight random names were chosen, by the Auditor.
56. Were you able to conduct the minimum number of random inmate/ resident/detainee interviews?	
57. Provide any additional comments regarding selecting or interviewing random inmates/residents/detainees (e.g., any populations you oversampled, barriers to completing interviews, barriers to ensuring representation):	No text provided.
Targeted Inmate/Resident/Detail	nee Interviews
58. Enter the total number of TARGETED INMATES/RESIDENTS/DETAINEES who were interviewed:	8

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59. Enter the total number of interviews

conducted with youthful inmates or youthful/juvenile detainees using the

"Youthful Inmates" protocol:

60. Enter the total number of interviews conducted with inmates/residents/ detainees with a physical disability using the "Disabled and Limited English Proficient Inmates" protocol:	0
a. Select why you were unable to conduct at least the minimum required number of targeted inmates/residents/ detainees in this category:	Facility said there were "none here" during the onsite portion of the audit and/or the facility was unable to provide a list of these inmates/residents/detainees. The inmates/residents/detainees in this targeted category declined to be interviewed.
b. Discuss your corroboration strategies to determine if this population exists in the audited facility (e.g., based on information obtained from the PAQ; documentation reviewed onsite; and discussions with staff and other inmates/residents/detainees).	After a tour of the facility, informal and formal interviews with staff and residents and resident file review, this category of residents did not appear to be currently in the program.
61. Enter the total number of interviews conducted with inmates/residents/ detainees with a cognitive or functional disability (including intellectual disability, psychiatric disability, or speech disability) using the "Disabled and Limited English Proficient Inmates" protocol:	1
62. Enter the total number of interviews conducted with inmates/residents/ detainees who are Blind or have low vision (i.e., visually impaired) using the "Disabled and Limited English Proficient Inmates" protocol:	0
a. Select why you were unable to conduct at least the minimum required number of targeted inmates/residents/ detainees in this category:	Facility said there were "none here" during the onsite portion of the audit and/or the facility was unable to provide a list of these inmates/residents/detainees. The inmates/residents/detainees in this targeted category declined to be interviewed.

b. Discuss your corroboration strategies to determine if this population exists in the audited facility (e.g., based on information obtained from the PAQ; documentation reviewed onsite; and discussions with staff and other inmates/residents/detainees).	After a tour of the facility, informal and formal interviews with staff and residents and resident file review, this category of residents did not appear to be currently in the program.
63. Enter the total number of interviews conducted with inmates/residents/ detainees who are Deaf or hard-of-hearing using the "Disabled and Limited English Proficient Inmates" protocol:	0
a. Select why you were unable to conduct at least the minimum required number of targeted inmates/residents/ detainees in this category:	Facility said there were "none here" during the onsite portion of the audit and/or the facility was unable to provide a list of these inmates/residents/detainees. The inmates/residents/detainees in this targeted category declined to be interviewed.
b. Discuss your corroboration strategies to determine if this population exists in the audited facility (e.g., based on information obtained from the PAQ; documentation reviewed onsite; and discussions with staff and other inmates/residents/detainees).	After a tour of the facility, informal and formal interviews with staff and residents and resident file review, this category of residents did not appear to be currently in the program.
64. Enter the total number of interviews conducted with inmates/residents/ detainees who are Limited English Proficient (LEP) using the "Disabled and Limited English Proficient Inmates" protocol:	0
a. Select why you were unable to conduct at least the minimum required number of targeted inmates/residents/ detainees in this category:	Facility said there were "none here" during the onsite portion of the audit and/or the facility was unable to provide a list of these inmates/residents/detainees. The inmates/residents/detainees in this targeted category declined to be interviewed.

b. Discuss your corroboration strategies to determine if this population exists in the audited facility (e.g., based on information obtained from the PAQ; documentation reviewed onsite; and discussions with staff and other inmates/residents/detainees).	After a tour of the facility, informal and formal interviews with staff and residents and resident file review, this category of residents did not appear to be currently in the program.
65. Enter the total number of interviews conducted with inmates/residents/ detainees who identify as lesbian, gay, or bisexual using the "Transgender and Intersex Inmates; Gay, Lesbian, and Bisexual Inmates" protocol:	0
a. Select why you were unable to conduct at least the minimum required number of targeted inmates/residents/ detainees in this category:	Facility said there were "none here" during the onsite portion of the audit and/or the facility was unable to provide a list of these inmates/residents/detainees. The inmates/residents/detainees in this targeted category declined to be interviewed.
b. Discuss your corroboration strategies to determine if this population exists in the audited facility (e.g., based on information obtained from the PAQ; documentation reviewed onsite; and discussions with staff and other inmates/residents/detainees).	After a tour of the facility, informal and formal interviews with staff and residents and resident file review, this category of residents did not appear to be currently in the program.
66. Enter the total number of interviews conducted with inmates/residents/ detainees who identify as transgender or intersex using the "Transgender and Intersex Inmates; Gay, Lesbian, and Bisexual Inmates" protocol:	0
a. Select why you were unable to conduct at least the minimum required number of targeted inmates/residents/ detainees in this category:	Facility said there were "none here" during the onsite portion of the audit and/or the facility was unable to provide a list of these inmates/residents/detainees. The inmates/residents/detainees in this targeted category declined to be interviewed.

b. Discuss your corroboration strategies to determine if this population exists in the audited facility (e.g., based on information obtained from the PAQ; documentation reviewed onsite; and discussions with staff and other inmates/residents/detainees).	After a tour of the facility, informal and formal interviews with staff and residents and resident file review, this category of residents did not appear to be currently in the program.
67. Enter the total number of interviews conducted with inmates/residents/ detainees who reported sexual abuse in this facility using the "Inmates who Reported a Sexual Abuse" protocol:	0
a. Select why you were unable to conduct at least the minimum required number of targeted inmates/residents/ detainees in this category:	Facility said there were "none here" during the onsite portion of the audit and/or the facility was unable to provide a list of these inmates/residents/detainees. The inmates/residents/detainees in this targeted category declined to be interviewed.
b. Discuss your corroboration strategies to determine if this population exists in the audited facility (e.g., based on information obtained from the PAQ; documentation reviewed onsite; and discussions with staff and other inmates/residents/detainees).	After a tour of the facility, informal and formal interviews with staff and residents and resident file review, this category of residents did not appear to be currently in the program.
68. Enter the total number of interviews conducted with inmates/residents/ detainees who disclosed prior sexual victimization during risk screening using the "Inmates who Disclosed Sexual Victimization during Risk Screening" protocol:	0
a. Select why you were unable to conduct at least the minimum required number of targeted inmates/residents/ detainees in this category:	Facility said there were "none here" during the onsite portion of the audit and/or the facility was unable to provide a list of these inmates/residents/detainees. The inmates/residents/detainees in this targeted category declined to be interviewed.

b. Discuss your corroboration strategies to determine if this population exists in the audited facility (e.g., based on information obtained from the PAQ; documentation reviewed onsite; and discussions with staff and other inmates/residents/detainees).	After a tour of the facility, informal and formal interviews with staff and residents and resident file review, this category of residents did not appear to be currently in the program.
69. Enter the total number of interviews conducted with inmates/residents/ detainees who are or were ever placed in segregated housing/isolation for risk of sexual victimization using the "Inmates Placed in Segregated Housing (for Risk of Sexual Victimization/Who Allege to have Suffered Sexual Abuse)" protocol:	0
a. Select why you were unable to conduct at least the minimum required number of targeted inmates/residents/ detainees in this category:	Facility said there were "none here" during the onsite portion of the audit and/or the facility was unable to provide a list of these inmates/residents/detainees. The inmates/residents/detainees in this targeted category declined to be interviewed.
b. Discuss your corroboration strategies to determine if this population exists in the audited facility (e.g., based on information obtained from the PAQ; documentation reviewed onsite; and discussions with staff and other inmates/residents/detainees).	After a tour of the facility, informal and formal interviews with staff and residents and resident file review, this category of residents did not appear to be currently in the program.
70. Provide any additional comments regarding selecting or interviewing targeted inmates/residents/detainees (e.g., any populations you oversampled, barriers to completing interviews):	No text provided.
Staff, Volunteer, and Con	tractor Interviews
Random Staff Interviews	
71. Enter the total number of RANDOM STAFF who were interviewed:	12

72. Select which characteristics you considered when you selected RANDOM STAFF interviewees: (select all that apply)	 Length of tenure in the facility Shift assignment Work assignment Rank (or equivalent) Other (e.g., gender, race, ethnicity, languages spoken) None
73. Were you able to conduct the minimum number of RANDOM STAFF interviews?	● Yes○ No
74. Provide any additional comments regarding selecting or interviewing random staff (e.g., any populations you oversampled, barriers to completing interviews, barriers to ensuring representation):	No text provided.
Specialized Staff, Volunteers, an	d Contractor Interviews
Staff in some facilities may be responsible for more than one interview protocol may member and that information would satisfy mult	apply to an interview with a single staff
75. Enter the total number of staff in a SPECIALIZED STAFF role who were interviewed (excluding volunteers and contractors):	13
76. Were you able to interview the Agency Head?	● Yes
	○ No
77. Were you able to interview the Warden/Facility Director/Superintendent	● Yes
or their designee?	○ No

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78. Were you able to interview the PREA Coordinator?	Yes No
79. Were you able to interview the PREA Compliance Manager?	● Yes
	○ No
	NA (NA if the agency is a single facility agency or is otherwise not required to have a PREA Compliance Manager per the Standards)

80. Select which SPECIALIZED STAFF Agency contract administrator roles were interviewed as part of this audit from the list below: (select all that Intermediate or higher-level facility staff apply) responsible for conducting and documenting unannounced rounds to identify and deter staff sexual abuse and sexual harassment Line staff who supervise youthful inmates (if applicable) Education and program staff who work with youthful inmates (if applicable) Medical staff Mental health staff Non-medical staff involved in cross-gender strip or visual searches Administrative (human resources) staff Sexual Assault Forensic Examiner (SAFE) or Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE) staff Investigative staff responsible for conducting administrative investigations Investigative staff responsible for conducting criminal investigations Staff who perform screening for risk of victimization and abusiveness Staff who supervise inmates in segregated housing/residents in isolation Staff on the sexual abuse incident review team Designated staff member charged with monitoring retaliation First responders, both security and nonsecurity staff

	Intake staff Other
81. Did you interview VOLUNTEERS who may have contact with inmates/residents/detainees in this facility?	
a. Enter the total number of VOLUNTEERS who were interviewed:	1
b. Select which specialized VOLUNTEER role(s) were interviewed as part of this audit from the list below: (select all that apply)	 Education/programming Medical/dental Mental health/counseling Religious Other
82. Did you interview CONTRACTORS who may have contact with inmates/ residents/detainees in this facility?	YesNo
a. Enter the total number of CONTRACTORS who were interviewed:	1
b. Select which specialized CONTRACTOR role(s) were interviewed as part of this audit from the list below: (select all that apply)	Security/detention Education/programming Medical/dental Food service Maintenance/construction Other

83. Provide any additional comments regarding selecting or interviewing specialized staff.

No text provided.

SITE REVIEW AND DOCUMENTATION SAMPLING

Site Review

PREA Standard 115.401 (h) states, "The auditor shall have access to, and shall observe, all areas of the audited facilities." In order to meet the requirements in this Standard, the site review portion of the onsite audit must include a thorough examination of the entire facility. The site review is not a casual tour of the facility. It is an active, inquiring process that includes talking with staff and inmates to determine whether, and the extent to which, the audited facility's practices demonstrate compliance with the Standards. Note: As you are conducting the site review, you must document your tests of critical functions, important information gathered through observations, and any issues identified with facility practices. The information you collect through the site review is a crucial part of the evidence you will analyze as part of your compliance determinations and will be needed to complete your audit report, including the Post-Audit Reporting Information.

84. Did you have access to all areas of the facility?	● Yes
	○ No
Was the site review an active, in the following:	quiring process that included
85. Observations of all facility practices in accordance with the site review component of the audit instrument (e.g., signage, supervision practices, crossgender viewing and searches)?	✓ YesNo
86. Tests of all critical functions in the facility in accordance with the site review component of the audit instrument (e.g., risk screening process, access to outside emotional support services, interpretation services)?	YesNo

87. Informal conversations with inmates/ residents/detainees during the site review (encouraged, not required)?	Yes No
88. Informal conversations with staff during the site review (encouraged, not required)?	YesNo
89. Provide any additional comments regarding the site review (e.g., access to areas in the facility, observations, tests of critical functions, or informal conversations).	No text provided.
Documentation Sampling	
Where there is a collection of records to review-s records; background check records; supervisory	rounds logs; risk screening and intake edical files; and investigative files-auditors must
Where there is a collection of records to review-s records; background check records; supervisory processing records; inmate education records; m self-select for review a representative sample of 90. In addition to the proof	rounds logs; risk screening and intake edical files; and investigative files-auditors must
Where there is a collection of records to review-s records; background check records; supervisory processing records; inmate education records; m self-select for review a representative sample of	rounds logs; risk screening and intake edical files; and investigative files-auditors must each type of record.

SEXUAL ABUSE AND SEXUAL HARASSMENT ALLEGATIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS IN THIS FACILITY

Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Allegations and Investigations Overview

Remember the number of allegations should be based on a review of all sources of allegations (e.g., hotline, third-party, grievances) and should not be based solely on the number of investigations conducted. Note: For question brevity, we use the term "inmate" in the following questions. Auditors should provide information on inmate, resident, or detainee sexual abuse allegations and investigations, as applicable to the facility type being audited.

92. Total number of SEXUAL ABUSE allegations and investigations overview during the 12 months preceding the audit, by incident type:

	# of sexual abuse allegations	# of criminal investigations	# of administrative investigations	# of allegations that had both criminal and administrative investigations
Inmate- on- inmate sexual abuse	0	0	0	0
Staff- on- inmate sexual abuse	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0

93. Total number of SEXUAL HARASSMENT allegations and investigations overview during the 12 months preceding the audit, by incident type:

	# of sexual harassment allegations	# of criminal investigations	# of administrative investigations	# of allegations that had both criminal and administrative investigations
Inmate-on- inmate sexual harassment	0	0	0	0
Staff-on- inmate sexual harassment	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0

Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Investigation Outcomes

Sexual Abuse Investigation Outcomes

Note: these counts should reflect where the investigation is currently (i.e., if a criminal investigation was referred for prosecution and resulted in a conviction, that investigation outcome should only appear in the count for "convicted.") Do not double count. Additionally, for question brevity, we use the term "inmate" in the following questions. Auditors should provide information on inmate, resident, and detainee sexual abuse investigation files, as applicable to the facility type being audited.

94. Criminal SEXUAL ABUSE investigation outcomes during the 12 months preceding the audit:

	Ongoing	Referred for Prosecution	Indicted/ Court Case Filed	Convicted/ Adjudicated	Acquitted
Inmate-on- inmate sexual abuse	0	0	0	0	0
Staff-on- inmate sexual abuse	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	0

95. Administrative SEXUAL ABUSE investigation outcomes during the 12 months preceding the audit:

	Ongoing	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated	Substantiated
Inmate-on-inmate sexual abuse	0	0	0	0
Staff-on-inmate sexual abuse	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0

Sexual Harassment Investigation Outcomes

Note: these counts should reflect where the investigation is currently. Do not double count. Additionally, for question brevity, we use the term "inmate" in the following questions. Auditors should provide information on inmate, resident, and detained sexual harassment investigation files, as applicable to the facility type being audited.

96. Criminal SEXUAL HARASSMENT investigation outcomes during the 12 months preceding the audit:

	Ongoing	Referred for Prosecution	Indicted/ Court Case Filed	Convicted/ Adjudicated	Acquitted
Inmate-on- inmate sexual harassment	0	0	0	0	0
Staff-on- inmate sexual harassment	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	0

97. Administrative SEXUAL HARASSMENT investigation outcomes during the 12 months preceding the audit:

	Ongoing	Unfounded	Unsubstantiated	Substantiated
Inmate-on-inmate sexual harassment	0	0	0	0
Staff-on-inmate sexual harassment	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0

Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Investigation Files Selected for Review

Sexual Abuse Investigation Files Selected for Review

98. Enter the total number of S ABUSE investigation files revie sampled:	0
a. Explain why you were unable review any sexual abuse invest files:	The facility has not had any sexual harassment or sexual abuse allegations in the past 12 months.

99. Did your selection of SEXUAL ABUSE investigation files include a cross-section of criminal and/or administrative investigations by findings/outcomes?	No NA (NA if you were unable to review any sexual abuse investigation files)
Inmate-on-inmate sexual abuse i	nvestigation files
100. Enter the total number of INMATE- ON-INMATE SEXUAL ABUSE investigation files reviewed/sampled:	0
101. Did your sample of INMATE-ON-INMATE SEXUAL ABUSE investigation files include criminal investigations?	No NA (NA if you were unable to review any inmate-on-inmate sexual abuse investigation files)
102. Did your sample of INMATE-ON-INMATE SEXUAL ABUSE investigation files include administrative investigations?	No NA (NA if you were unable to review any inmate-on-inmate sexual abuse investigation files)
Staff-on-inmate sexual abuse inv	estigation files
103. Enter the total number of STAFF- ON-INMATE SEXUAL ABUSE investigation files reviewed/sampled:	0
104. Did your sample of STAFF-ON-INMATE SEXUAL ABUSE investigation files include criminal investigations?	No NA (NA if you were unable to review any staff-on-inmate sexual abuse investigation files)

105. Did your sample of STAFF-ON-INMATE SEXUAL ABUSE investigation files include administrative investigations?	No NA (NA if you were unable to review any staff-on-inmate sexual abuse investigation files)
Sexual Harassment Investigation	Files Selected for Review
106. Enter the total number of SEXUAL HARASSMENT investigation files reviewed/sampled:	0
a. Explain why you were unable to review any sexual harassment investigation files:	The facility has not had any sexual harassment or sexual abuse allegations in the past 12 months.
107. Did your selection of SEXUAL HARASSMENT investigation files include a cross-section of criminal and/or administrative investigations by findings/outcomes?	 Yes No NA (NA if you were unable to review any sexual harassment investigation files)
Inmate-on-inmate sexual harass	ment investigation files
108. Enter the total number of INMATE- ON-INMATE SEXUAL HARASSMENT investigation files reviewed/sampled:	0
109. Did your sample of INMATE-ON-INMATE SEXUAL HARASSMENT files include criminal investigations?	Yes No
	NA (NA if you were unable to review any inmate-on-inmate sexual harassment investigation files)

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110. Did your sample of INMATE-ON-INMATE SEXUAL HARASSMENT investigation files include administrative investigations?	No NA (NA if you were unable to review any inmate-on-inmate sexual harassment investigation files)
Staff-on-inmate sexual harassme	ent investigation files
111. Enter the total number of STAFF- ON-INMATE SEXUAL HARASSMENT investigation files reviewed/sampled:	0
112. Did your sample of STAFF-ON-INMATE SEXUAL HARASSMENT investigation files include criminal investigations?	No NA (NA if you were unable to review any staff-on-inmate sexual harassment investigation files)
113. Did your sample of STAFF-ON-INMATE SEXUAL HARASSMENT investigation files include administrative investigations?	Yes No NA (NA if you were unable to review any staff-on-inmate sexual harassment investigation files)
114. Provide any additional comments regarding selecting and reviewing sexual abuse and sexual harassment investigation files.	The facility has not had any sexual harassment or sexual abuse allegations in the past 12 months.

SUPPORT STAFF IN	FORMATION		
DOJ-certified PREA Audito	DOJ-certified PREA Auditors Support Staff		
115. Did you receive assistance from any DOJ-CERTIFIED PREA AUDITORS at any point during this audit? REMEMBER: the audit includes all activities from the preonsite through the post-onsite phases to the submission of the final report. Make sure you respond accordingly.	Yes No		
Non-certified Support Sta	ıff		
116. Did you receive assistance from any NON-CERTIFIED SUPPORT STAFF at any point during this audit? REMEMBER: the audit includes all activities from the preonsite through the post-onsite phases to the submission of the final report. Make sure you respond accordingly.	Yes● No		
AUDITING ARRANG	EMENTS AND		
COMPENSATION			
121. Who paid you to conduct this audit?	The audited facility or its parent agency		
	 My state/territory or county government employer (if you audit as part of a consortium or circular auditing arrangement, select this option) 		
	A third-party auditing entity (e.g., accreditation body, consulting firm)		

Other

Standards

Auditor Overall Determination Definitions

- Exceeds Standard (Substantially exceeds requirement of standard)
- Meets Standard (substantial compliance; complies in all material ways with the stand for the relevant review period)
- Does Not Meet Standard (requires corrective actions)

Auditor Discussion Instructions

Auditor discussion, including the evidence relied upon in making the compliance or non-compliance determination, the auditor's analysis and reasoning, and the auditor's conclusions. This discussion must also include corrective action recommendations where the facility does not meet standard. These recommendations must be included in the Final Report, accompanied by information on specific corrective actions taken by the facility.

115.11

Zero tolerance of sexual abuse and sexual harassment; PREA coordinator

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

- 1. Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ
- 2. Nebraska Dept. Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, dated 7.31.2022
- 3. Nebraska Department of Correctional Services Organizational Chart, dated 8.2021
- 4. NCYF Organizational Chart, dated 2022
- 5. Post Audit: Dry Storage Photograph
- 6. Post Audit: HU3 Cell A7 and HU3 Cell B10 Camera

Interviews:

- 1. Random Inmates
- 2. Targeted Inmates
- 3. Case Workers / Corporals
- 4. Supervisory staff
- 5. Unit Administrator / PREA Compliance Manager
- 6. Captain / PREA Coordinator

Through interviews with inmates and staff and review of inmate and staff files, it is evident that this facility interweaves requirements for this standard in their daily protocols. Both inmates and staff could speak to facility PREA practices and protocols being used as is described in the agency's Sexual Assault/Abuse policy. Inmates reported PREA information is available to them through Zero Tolerance postings, speaking with facility staff, grievances, kites and inmate phones.

Site Review Observation:

During the tour of the facility the Auditor conducted six informal and 16 formal interviews with residents which included eight targeted interviews and eight random interviews with inmates. Three informal staff interviews and 12 formal interviews with

Case Workers / Corporals. All interviews were randomly chosen from inmate and staff rosters provided from the facility. Inmates from each housing unit and length of stay were considered when choosing inmates to be interviewed.

During the tour the Auditor witnessed cameras throughout the facility and reviewed those cameras in the Lieutenant's Office. All cameras were reported as being in working order. One camera in a wet cell was found during the review and an action plan was put into place to block the camera view of the toilet in that cell.

During the tour of the facility, the Auditor witnessed Zero Tolerance flyers with agency PREA Policy, internal, external and third-party reporting information. Audit postings were witnessed on yellow and green paper in the building entrance, Warden's complex, each of the four housing units, education building and the dining hall.

The residential area consisted of three housing units. Housing units all had private showers with a ³/₄ door at the entry and full-length shower curtains and toileting facilities in each cell. Each living unit is housed with a dayroom and cameras are placed throughout.

The facility was provided the following recommendations and the facility provided the following action plans.

- 1. Camera view blocked in dry storage kitchen area. Lower stacks post audit, the facility provided a photo demonstrating camera view is no longer blocked by product stacks.
- 2. Block out toilet on camera in room HU3-B10 in order to provide resident privacy while toileting. Post audit, the facility provided a photograph of HU3 Cell A7 demonstrating a black box now covers the toilet in the cell and the camera has been blurred in order to provide privacy for toileting and changing clothing. Additionally, the facility discovered HU3 Cell B10 camera required a black box was required and placed over the toilet to allow for privacy while toileting.
- (a) Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency policy mandates zero-tolerance toward all forms of sexual abuse and sexual harassment in the facility it operates and those directly under contract.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 2, section GENERAL, states, "NDCS expressly prohibits sexual contact or sexual

acts between inmates and between inmates and team members, volunteers, official visitors or contractors. NDCS will cooperate with the Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS) in providing required access to team members and inmates, statistical information and data collection with regard to sexual assault, sexual abuse and sexual harassment of inmates. In order to ensure compliance with PREA standards, NDCS shall conduct audits pursuant to the process outlined by the Department of Justice (DOJ). This policy applies to all persons, Central Office, Programs and institutions within the jurisdiction of NDCS. (ACI-3D-14)."

(b) Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency employs or designates an upper-level, agency-wide PREA Coordinator. The PREA Coordinator has sufficient time and authority to develop, implement, and oversee agency efforts to comply with the PREA standards in all of its facilities. The position of the PREA Coordinator in the agency's organizational structure.

The facility provided a Nebraska Department of Correctional Services Organizational Chart. The organizational chart demonstrates the PREA/ES Coordinator report directly to the Agency Security Administrator who reports directly to the Chief of Operations.

(c) Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the facility has designated a PREA Compliance Manager. The PREA Compliance Manager has sufficient time and authority to coordinate the facility's efforts to comply with the PREA standards. The position of the PREA Compliance Manager in the agency's organizational structure. The person to whom the PREA Compliance Manager reports is the Assistant Warden.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 5, section 1., A. 3., states, "Each facility has designated a PREA Compliance Manager with sufficient time and authority to coordinate the facility's efforts to comply with PREA standards."

The facility provided a NCYF Organizational Chart which demonstrates the Unit Administrator functions as the PREA Compliance Manager. The PREA Compliance Manager reports directly to the Assistant Warden.

Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.12 Contracting with other entities for the confinement of inmates

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

- 1. Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ
- 2. State of Nebraska Service Contract Aware, Scotts Bluff County, dated 7.1.2022
- 3. State of Nebraska Service Contract Award, Hall County Corrections, dated 7.1.2021
- 4. State of Nebraska Service Contract Award, Lincoln County Sheriff, dated 7.1.2021
- 5. State of Nebraska Service Contract Award, Phelps County Sheriff, dated 7.1.2021
- 6. State of Nebraska Service Contract Award, Platte County Sheriff's Department, dated 7.1.2021
- 7. State of Nebraska Service Contract Award, Buffalo County Sheriff, dated 7.1.2021
- 8. State of Nebraska Service Contract Award, Dawson County Sheriff, dated 7.1.2021
- 9. State of Nebraska Service Contract Award, Cherry County, County Sheriff, dated 11.29.2021

Interviews:

1. Captain / PREA Coordinator

During the pre-audit phase, the Captain / PREA Coordinator conveyed the agency has privatized contracts.

(a-b) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the facility has seven contracts with private agencies for confinement services of their inmates.

The agency provided eight individual contracts for services. Each contract, page 12, section 3. a. Conditions of confinement, I, states, "The County will adopt and comply with all standards under the Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) for adult Prisons/

Jails."
Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.13 Supervision and monitoring

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

- 1. Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ
- 2. Nebraska Dept. Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, dated 7.31.2022
- 3. Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11.1, dated 7.31.2023
- 4. Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility Annual Review of Staffing Assignment and Video Monitoring, dated 12.2022
- 5. Post Audit: Revised Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility Annual Review of Staffing Assignment and Video Monitoring, dated 12.2022
- 6. Supervisory Rounds, Logbook Entries

Interviews:

- 1. Random Inmates
- 2. Targeted Inmates
- 3. Case Workers / Corporals
- 4. Unit Administrator / PREA Compliance Manager

Staff and inmates interviewed could attest to supervisor staff conducting unannounced rounds, each day, often occurring multiple times per day.

The Unit Administrator / PREA Compliance Manager and the Captain / PREA Coordinator could attest to the completion of a staffing plan and annual reviews in conjunction with the Assistant Deputy Secretary.

Site review observation:

Unannounced rounds documentation previewed in the online audit system demonstrated rounds are completed multiple times per month. Round documentation reviewed during the onsite review demonstrated rounds are document multiple times per week, per shift. Logbook entries were noted to have started months before the

onsite review, demonstrating unannounced round documentation have been an ongoing system at the facility.

(a) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency requires the facility to develop, document and make its best efforts to comply on a regular basis with a staffing plan that provides for adequate levels of staffing, and, where applicable, video monitoring, to protect inmates against abuse. The daily number of inmates, based on the facility website on August 20, 2021, is 69 with the capacity of 69 and the staffing plan was predicated on the same number of inmates as is shown on the facility website.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 6, section C. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.13 a-d Community Facility 115.213 Supervision and Monitoring, 1. a-j, states. "Each facility shall comply on a regular basis with a staffing plan that provides for adequate levels of staffing, and, where applicable, video monitoring, to protect inmates against sexual abuse/assault. Each facility shall, in conjunction with the PREA Coordinator, calculate adequate staffing levels and determine the need for video monitoring by taking the following into consideration: Generally accepted detention and correctional practices.

- a. Generally accepted detention and correctional practices.
- b. Any judicial findings of inadequacy.
- c. Any findings of inadequacy from federal investigative agencies.
- d. Any findings of inadequacy from internal or external oversight bodies.
- e. All components of the facility's physical plant, including blind spots or areas where team members or inmates may be isolated.
- f. The composition of the inmate population.
- g. The number and placement of supervisory team member.
- h. Institutional programs occurring on shifts.
- i. Any applicable state or local laws, regulations or standards.
- j. The prevalence of substantiated and unsubstantiated incidents of sexual abuse/ assault and sexual harassment
- k. Any other relevant factors. In circumstances where the staffing plan is not complied with, the facility shall document and justify all deviations.

In circumstances where the staffing plan is not complied with, the facility shall

document and justify all deviations."

The facility provided a Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility Annual Review of Staffing Assignment and Video Monitoring Plan. The review and plan include the following components. (Post audit the facility revised the staffing plan to include juvenile correctional practices.)

- 1. Generally accepted adult and juvenile correctional institution practices
- 2. Any judicial findings of inadequacy
- 3. Any findings of inadequacy from federal investigative bodies
- 4. Any findings of inadequacy from internal or external oversight bodies.
- 5. All components of the program's physical plant (including "blind spots" or areas where members or inmates may be isolated). Included in this component are grids of camera placement throughout the facility.
- 6. The composition of resident population. (i.e. gender ratios, risk/need of residents, physical size, sexual aggressive behaviors (SAB), vulnerability to victimization (VV).
- 7. The number and placement of supervisory staff
- 8. Programs occurring on a particular shift.
- 9. Any applicable State or local laws, regulations or standards.
- 10. The prevalence of substantiated and unsubstantiated incidents of sexual abuse.
- 11. Any other relevant factors.

The plan is signed by the NCYF PREA Compliance Manager, NCYF Warden, NDCS PREA Coordinator on 12.30.2022.

- (b) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states each time the staffing plan is not complied with, the facility does document and or justifies deviations. The PAQ states this provision is not applicable. Deviation from staffing levels have not occurred.
- (c) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states at least once every year the facility/agency, in collaboration with the PREA coordinator, does review the staffing plan to whether adjustments are needed in (a) the staffing, (b) the

deployment of monitoring technology, or (c) the allocation of agency/facility resources to commit to the staffing plan to ensure compliance with the staffing plan.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 7-8, section 3 states, "Each facility shall implement a policy and practice of having intermediate-level and higher-level supervisors conduct and document unannounced rounds, on all shifts, to identify and deter team members from sexual abuse/assault and sexual harassment. Specific expectations are detailed in facility written procedures.

Team members are strictly prohibited from alerting other team members that these supervisory rounds are occurring, unless such announcement is related to the legitimate operational functions of the facility.

On an annual basis each facility compliance manager will complete an annual PREA assessment based on data from the previous calendar year. This assessment will be submitted to the PREA Coordinator on or before February 1st each year."

The facility completes a new staffing plan each year, in the same format as is described in provision (a) of this standard.

(d) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states facility requires that intermediate level or higher-level staff conduct unannounced rounds to identify and deter staff sexual abuse and sexual harassment. Policy compliance can be found in provision (c) of this standard.

The facility provided supervisory round logbook entries demonstrating the entries from supervisors are completed in colored ink. During the pre-audit phase the Auditor noticed the entry included only a supervisor name with no information regarding the reason for the entry. The facility was asked to include round information, moving forward on 1.21.2023. The onsite review demonstrated round documentation did include documentation of supervisors completing unannounced rounds several times throughout the week for many months and years prior to the onsite review.

115.14 Youthful inmates

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

- 1. Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ
- 2. Nebraska Dept. Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, dated 7.31.2022
- 3. Nebraska Department of Correctional Services Memorandum, RE: Standard 115.14 Youthful Offenders, dated 12.12.2022

Interviews:

- 1. Youthful Inmates
- 2. Unit Case Worker

The facility had eight youthful inmates of which all were interviewed. Of the eight, one refused; however, the balance could attest to always being supervised by staff, in all areas of the facility, feeling safe, search processes being conducted respectfully, having knowledge of the facility PREA Policy, receiving rule books upon intake and understanding they can report through talking to staff, filling out grievances which they can gain access to from staff, filling out a kite, making hotline calls or through a third party.

The interview with the Unit Case Worker demonstrated he never leaves the unit during his shift regardless of if youthful inmates are on or off the unit. The Case Worker stated redlines are painted outside the housing unit to ensure those outside of the unit do not get close enough to peer into and communicate with youthful offenders. The Case Worker stated regardless of where youthful inmates are placed throughout the programmatic day they are escorted by staff to ensure they are never left alone with inmates aged 18 and over.

Site Observation:

Youthful inmates are housed together in Housing Unit 3, out of line of sight of other inmates. This housing unit is situated at the end of the residential building and a hallway between them and age 18 and over inmates.

(a-c) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the facility does not house youthful inmates.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 8, section D. 1-3., states, "

- 1. A youthful inmate shall not be placed in a housing unit in which he or she will have sight, sound or physical contact with any adult inmate through use of a shared dayroom or other common space, shower area or sleeping quarters
- a. In areas outside of housing units, agencies shall either:
- 1) Maintain sight and sound separation between youthful inmates and adult inmates, or
- 2) Provide direct team member supervision when youthful inmates and adult inmates have sight, sound or physical contact.
- 1. All best efforts must be made and documented to avoid placing youthful inmates in restrictive housing to comply with the standard
- 2. Absent exigent circumstances, youthful inmates shall not be denied daily large muscle exercise, any legally required special education services, programs and work opportunities."

Youthful male inmates are housed in separated living locations at the Nebraska Youth Facility in Omaha, NE. State Statute 83-905, the Nebraska Department of Correctional Services has oversight and control of the Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility (NCYF). NCYF is a physically secure facility designed to provide confinement, education, and treatment for youthful inmates who have been committed to the NDCS."

115.15 Limits to cross-gender viewing and searches

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

- 1. Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ
- 2. Nebraska Dept. Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, dated 7.31.2022
- 3. Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11.1, dated 7.31.2022
- 4. Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Searches Pre-Service Study Guide, dated 01.2019
- 5. Sexual Assault Abuse PowerPoint, dated 01.2020
- 6. Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Staff Training Academy Course Outline, 'Sexual Assault/Abuse, dated 01.2020
- 7. Nebraska Department of Correctional Services Field Training Officer Module Performance Checklist, dated 2.2021

Interviews:

- 1. Random Inmates
- 2. Targeted Inmates
- 3. Case Workers / Corporals

Interviews with inmates demonstrated they had not been searched by female staff. Inmates were asked if search processes were conducted respectfully and each stated 'yes'. When asked if each felt sexually safe in the program each stated 'yes'.

Interviews with Case Workers / Corporals demonstrated each had received training on searches, cross gender searches (no female residents at this facility) and transgender searches. Staff stated each has been trained to use a non-gender search technique by using the side of their hands on all inmate searches. Both male and female staff attested to announcing their presence at the beginning of their shift and when entering living units.

Site Review Observation:

- 1. Visit search area
- 2. Intake search area

During the tour of the facility the Auditor observed the visit and intake search areas. Inmates are pat searched behind a full door outside of the visiting area under camera view. The intake search is conducted in a holding cell with the curtain drawn, blocking any camera view, with one staff standing at the entry of the door during the search, blocking view of those coming in and out of the intake area.

(a) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the facility does not conduct cross-gender strip or cross-gender visual body cavity searches of their Inmates. In the past 12 months the facility has conducted zero cross-gender strip or cross-gender visual body cavity searches of Inmates.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 8, section E. 1., states, "Team members shall not conduct cross-gender safety searches or cross-gender visual body cavity searches (meaning a search of the anal or genital opening) except in exigent circumstances or when performed by medical practitioners. All cross-gender safety searches and cross-gender visual body cavity searches will be documented in an Incident Report. The report shall be maintained by the facility PREA Compliance Manager. (ACRS-2C-06)."

(b) Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the facility does not permit cross-gender pat-down searches of female inmates, absent exigent circumstances. The number of pat-down searches of female inmates that were conducted by male staff has been zero. The number of pat-down searches of female inmates conducted by male staff that did not involve exigent circumstance(s) has been zero.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 8, section E. 2., states, "Team members shall not conduct cross-gender pat searches of female inmates, absent exigent circumstances. All cross-gender pat searches of female inmates will be documented in an Incident Report. The report shall be maintained by the facility PREA Compliance Manager."

Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11.1, page 8, section E. 1-2., states,

1. "Team members shall not conduct cross-gender safety searches or cross-gender

visual body cavity searches (meaning a search of the anal or the genital opening) except in exigent circumstances or when performed by medical practitioners. All cross-gender safety searches and cross-gender visual body cavity searches shall be documented in an Incident Report. These reports shall be maintained by NCYF/s PREA Compliance Manager.

- 2. NCYF team members shall not conduct cross-gender pat searches of female inmates, absent exigent circumstances. All cross-gender pat searches of female inmates shall be documented in an incident Report. These reports shall be maintained by NCYF/s PREA Compliance Manager."
- (c) Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the facility policy requires that all cross-gender strip searches, cross-gender visual body cavity searches, and cross-gender pat-down searches be documented and justified. The facility does not house female inmates. Policy compliance can be found in provision (a) of this standard.
- (d) Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the facility has implemented policies and procedures that enable Inmates to shower, perform bodily functions, and change clothing without non-medical staff of the opposite gender viewing their breasts, buttocks, or genitalia, except in exigent circumstances or when such viewing is incidental to routine cell checks (this includes viewing via video camera).

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 8, section E. 3., states, "In order to enable inmates to shower, perform bodily functions and change clothing without nonmedical team members of the opposite gender viewing their breasts, buttocks or genitalia, except in exigent circumstances or when such viewing is incidental to routine cell checks, all team members of the opposite gender will announce their presence when entering an inmate housing unit. Written notice to inmates shall be posted prominently in all units indicating team members of the opposite gender may be present at any time.

It is also necessary to make a verbal announcement when a staff member of the opposite gender is assigned to work on an inmate housing unit or when a staff member of the opposite gender enters an inmate housing unit where inmate sleeping/showering quarters are located. For example, if a female staff member is assigned to a male housing unit for the duration of a shift, an announcement at the beginning of the shift is required in regard to that person's presence. When the female leaves the unit and returns an announcement of a female present must be made upon return to the unit. In addition, any time an opposite gender team member who are not assigned to that unit enters an area of the housing unit where inmate sleeping/showering quarters are located, a verbal announcement of his or her

presence must be made. The announcement shall be made in such a manner that is most likely to be heard, such as the intercom system, and shall make it clear that a staff member of the opposite gender has entered the unit (appropriate language includes but is not limited to "A male/female staff member is on the floor/unit."). In the event of exigent circumstances (i.e., a medical emergency, inmate altercation, inmate/team member assault, etc.) the announcement of cross gender team members is not necessary."

(e) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the facility has a policy prohibiting staff from searching or physically examining a transgender or intersex Inmate for the sole purpose of determining the inmate's genital status. Such searches did not occur in the past 12 months.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 9, section E. 4., states, "NDCS shall not search or physically examine a transgender or intersex inmate for the sole purpose of determining the inmate's genital status. If an inmate's genital status is unknown, it may be determined during conversations with the inmate, by reviewing medical records or, if necessary, by learning that information as part of a broader medical examination conducted in private by a medical practitioner."

(f) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states 100% of security staff receive training on conducting cross-gender pat-down searches and searches of transgender and intersex Inmates in a professional and respectful manner.

The facility provided a Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Searches Pre-Service Study Guide. The study guide outlines the following:

- 1. Defining contraband
- 2. Explain the purpose of searches
- 3. List the five (5) most common types of searches
- 4. Describe professional conduct during searches
- 5. Explain the importance of professional conduct during searches
- 6. Identify four (4) ways to minimize the possibility of transmission of infectious disease when doing searches
- 7. List in order the six (6) elements of a search

- 8. Explain the limitations for cross-gender pat searches
- 9. Explain the procedure for searching Official Visitors to correctional facilities
- 10. Demonstrate a Pat Search within 45 seconds
- 11. Describe when you would modify a Pat Search
- 12. Define a safety Search and list the three (3) additional elements of a safety search

The facility provided a Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Policy 203.11 Sexual Assault/Abuse PowerPoint. This PowerPoint Course Overview includes:

- Zero Tolerance
- · Prohibited Behaviors
- Prevention, detection and response
- Investigations criminal and administrative
- · Reporting methods for staff and Inmates
- Victim Advocate
- Prevention Planning
- Responsive Planning
- Training and Education
- Screening for risk of sexual victimization and abusiveness
- · Official response following an inmate report
- Investigations
- Discipline
- · Medical and Mental Health Care
- Data Collection and review
- Audits

The facility provided a Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Staff Training Academy Course Outline, 'Sexual Assault/Abuse includes the following:

· Identify PREA Standards.

- Explain the NDCS zero-tolerance policy and prohibited behaviors.
- Explain how to fulfill staff responsibilities, regarding prevention, detection, reporting and responding to incidents of sexual assault, sexual abuse and sexual harassment.
- · Explain the investigation process and discipline.
- Discuss fears of inmate reporting.
- · Discuss how to avoid inappropriate relationships with inmates.

Pages 2-5 speak to search procedures.

The facility provided a Nebraska Department of Correctional Services Field Training Officer Module Performance Checklist. Once complete, the employee and Field Training Officer attest to the following: "I certify that proficiency was demonstrated by the above trained concerning this task on _____."

115.16

Inmates with disabilities and inmates who are limited English proficient

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

- 1. Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ
- 2. Nebraska Dept. Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, dated 7.31.2022
- 3. Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, ADA Inmates and the Public Policy 004.01, dated 10.31.2021
- 4. Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault Awareness Brochure, dated 2.1.2022 (English and Spanish)
- 5. State of Nebraska Service Contract Amendment, Language Line Services Inc., dated 11.4.2022 11.4.2023
- 6. Zero Tolerance for Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Flyer, English and Spanish, not dated

Interviews:

- 1. Targeted Inmate
- 2. Warden

Interviews with one cognitively deficient, youthful offender demonstrated he had a clear understanding of PREA, the agency zero tolerance policy, his options to report through the hotline, talking with staff or through a third party.

The interview with Warden demonstrated information is provided to inmates in a language in which they understand, and staff would check in with them often to ensure their needs were consistently met and keeping lines of communication open.

(a) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency has established procedures to provide disabled Inmates equal opportunities to be provided with and learn about the agency's efforts to prevent, detect and respond to sexual abuse and sexual harassment.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 10, section F. 1-2., state,

- 1. "Information will be provided in formats accessible to all inmates, including those who are deaf or hard of hearing, visually impaired or otherwise disabled; those who have intellectual, psychiatric or speech disabilities; as well as to inmates who have limited reading skills and who are limited English proficient. (This provision is also listed in PREA Standard secure facility 115.33 / community facility 115.233 Inmate Education.) (ACI-3D-09).
- 2. Reasonable steps will be taken to ensure meaningful access to information is provided to inmates who are limited English proficient, including steps to provide interpreters who can interpret effectively, accurately and impartially, both receptively and expressively, using any necessary specialized vocabulary. Reliance will not be placed on inmate interpreters, inmate readers or other types of inmate assistants except in limited circumstances where an extended delay in obtaining an effective interpreter could compromise the inmate's safety. (ACI-3D09)"

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, ADA – Inmates and the Public Policy 004.01, page, 1, section PURPOSE, states, "To provide the Nebraska Department of Correctional Services (NDCS) with policies that support and implement the provisions of Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) as Amended in 2008 and the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. To define those policies and establish the process for requesting reasonable modifications, team member's responsibilities, and request procedures as they apply to the incarcerated population and members of the public. (ACI-1C-07)

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 10, section F. PREA Standards Secure Facility 115.16 a-c/Community Confinement 115.216 a-c Inmates with Disabilities and Inmates who are Limited English Proficient, 1., states, "Information will be provided in formats accessible to all inmates, including those who are deaf or hard of hearing, visually impaired or otherwise disabled; those who have intellectual, psychiatric or speech disabilities; as well as to inmates who have limited reading skills and who are limited English proficient. (This provision is also listed in PREA Standard secure facility 115.33 / community facility 115.233 Inmate Education.) (ACI-3D-09)."

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 13, section M. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.33 a-f / Community Facility 115.233 a-f Inmate Education, 3., states, "information will be provided in format accessible to all inmates, including those who are deaf or hard of hearing, visually

impaired or otherwise disabled: those who have intellectual, psychiatric or speech disabilities as well as to inmat6s who have limited reading skills and who are limited English proficient. (AC|-3D-09)."

The facility provided a Zero Tolerance for Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment flyer, in English and Spanish. The flyer includes information on how to report, contact and phone number information and dialing instructions from incarcerated individual phones.

The facility provided Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault Awareness Brochures in both English and Spanish. Brochures include the following:

- The Department's Policy on Sexual Activity
- Staff-On-Inmate Sexual Behavior
- · Inmate-On-Inmate or Inmate-On-Staff Sexual Behavior
- If you are sexually assaulted
- Self Protection
- Nebraska State Statute
- PREA Hotline PIN 0-111-111 / speed dial 08#
- (b) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency has established procedures to provide inmates with limited English equal opportunity to participate in or benefit from all aspects of the agency's efforts to prevent, detect, and respond to sexual abuse and sexual harassment. Policy compliance can be found in provision (a) of this standard.
- (c) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency prohibits the use of inmate interpreters. In the last 12 months the facility has had zero instances where inmates were used for interpreters.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 10, section F. PREA Standards Secure Facility 115.16 a-c/Community Confinement 115.216 a-c Inmates with Disabilities and Inmates who are Limited English Proficient, 2., states, "Reasonable steps will be taken to ensure meaningful access to information is provided to inmates who are limited English proficient, including steps to provide interpreters who can interpret effectively, accurately and

impartially, both receptively and expressively, using any necessary specialized vocabulary. Reliance will not be placed on inmate interpreters, inmate readers or other types of inmate assistants except in limited circumstances where an extended delay in obtaining an effective interpreter could compromise the inmate's safety. (ACI-3D09)"

The facility provided a State of Nebraska Service Contract Amendment, Language Line Services Inc. Page 1 of the contract states, "Contract to supply and deliver On-Demand Remote Interpreting (OPI and VRI) through the NASPO ValuePoint, a cooperative purchasing program, a division of the National Association of State Procurement Officials, to State of Nebraska agencies for the period November 4, 2022, and November 3, 2023."

115.17 Hiring and promotion decisions

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

- 1. Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ
- 2. Nebraska Dept. Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, dated 7.31.2022
- 3. Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Team Member Selection Policy 112.03, dated 8.31.2022
- 4. Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Teletype Operations Policy 010.06, dated 11.30.2021
- 5. Reference Check form, dated 11.2013
- 6. Employment Reference Check (by another agency), dated 1.26.2022

Interviews:

Human Resource Generalist Assistant I

The interview with the Human Resource Generalist demonstrated criminal background checks are completed upon hire, promotion and annually thereafter. Applicants answer administrative adjudication questions during the application and interview processes. Institutional reference checks are completed for applicable applicants and information on employee involvement in sexual abuse allegations is shared with institutional employers.

Site Review Observation:

Utilizing the PREA Audit – Community Confinement Documentation Review Employee Files/Records template of 18 staff demonstrated each had current criminal background checks on file, administrative adjudication questions had been asked before hire and again upon promotion and institutional references were completed for applicable employees.

(a) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency policy prohibits hiring or promoting anyone who may have contact with inmates and prohibits enlisting the services of any contractor who may have contact with inmates who has engaged in or been convicted in or administratively adjudicated in sexual activity

described in paragraph (a)(2) of this standard.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 10, section G. PREA Standard Secured Facility 115.17 a-g / Community Facility 115.217 a-g Hiring and Promotion Decisions, states, "NDCS shall not hire, promote or enlist the services of any contractor who may have contact with inmates who has engaged in sexual/assault in a prison, jail, lockup, community confinement facility, juvenile facility or other institution; who has been convicted of engaging or attempting to engage in sexual activity in the community facilitated by force, overt or implied threats of force, coercion or if the victim did not consent or was unable to consent; and/or who has been civilly or administratively adjudicated to have engaged in such activity. Any incidents of sexual harassment will be taken into consideration. Refer to Policy 112.03, Team Member Selection Policy, for additional details regarding the hiring and promoting processes."

- (b) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states agency policy requires the consideration of any incidents of sexual harassment when determining to hire and or promote anyone, or to enlist services of any contractor, who may have contact with inmates. Policy compliance can be found in provision (a) of this standard.
- (c) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states Agency policy requires background checks are conducted with all new hires who have contact with inmates and makes its best efforts to contact all prior institutional employers for information on substantiated allegations of sexual abuse or any resignation during a pending investigation of an allegation of sexual abuse. In the past 12 months 28 persons hired may have contact with an inmate who have had criminal background checks.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Team Member Selection Policy 112.03, page 6, section 6. Ex-team member Application/Criminal Histories b. second paragraph, states, "The site HR contact will initiate the criminal history review through the established centralized security check process after interviews are conducted. Central Office Human Resources will make decisions if the individual should be considered for employment. If approval is given for consideration, the applicant shall go through the established selection process. Hiring decisions regarding people who served a sentence of conviction in the Nebraska Department of Correctional Services will be reviewed with the Director/designee."

Page 12, section F. Employment Reference Checks and Security Checks, 1., states, "The hiring manager or designee will conduct work reference checks on the top candidates being considered for the position. Reference checks will be conducted

from the most recent work experience(s). Recent is defined as within the last five years.

Regardless of employment record, if the candidate has worked for a Nebraska State Agency, current or previous, a reference check will be conducted with the State Agency.

Regardless of employment record, if the candidate has worked for an institutional employer (county jail, prison, school, hospital, military, etc.), current or previous, a reference check will be conducted with the institutional employer.

All attempts to contact an employment reference shall be documented in writing for the hiring packet."

The facility provided a Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Reference Check Form. Page 2 of the form includes the following questions:

- 1. Has the candidate engaged in sexual abuse in prison, jail, lockup, community confinement facility, juvenile facility or other institutions?
- 2. Has the candidate ever been convicted of engaging or attempting to engage in sexual activity in the community facility by force, overt, or implied threats of force, or coercion, or if the victim did not consent or was unable to consent or refuse?
- 3. Has the candidate ever been civilly or administratively adjudicated to have engaged in the activity described in question 14 or 15?
- 4. Has the candidate ever had substantiated allegations of sexual harassment made against him/her in a prison, jail, lockup, community confinement facility, juvenile facility or other institution?
- 5. Has the candidate ever had substantiated allegations of sexual harassment made against him/her in the community?
- (d) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency policy requires that a criminal background records check be completed before enlisting the services of any contractor who may have contact with inmates. In the past 12 months there were four contracts for services where criminal background record checks were conducted on all contractors covered in the contract who might have contact with inmates.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Teletype Operations Policy, page 7, section XX Background Checks, states, "All persons entering NDCS facilities, including any employee/volunteer/contractor or visitor are subject to a background investigation including but not limited to criminal history (Attachment D), driving record, and wanted person files. In addition, inquiries may include checking intelligence files, NCJIS, inmate telephone and visiting records, and conducting follow-up interviews."

(e) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency requires background checks to be completed every five years.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Team Member Selection Policy 112.03, page 14, section 4., states, "NDCS will conduct security checks of current team members every five years."

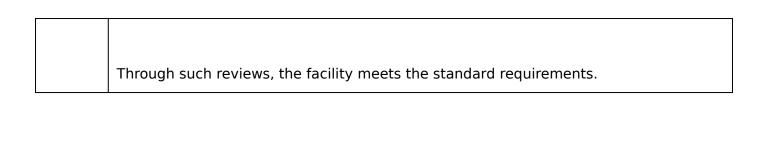
- (f) Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Team Member Selection Policy 112.03, page 13-14, section 3. a.-d., states, "NDCS shall not hire or promote anyone who:
- a. Has engaged in sexual abuse in a prison, jail, lockup, community confinement facility, juvenile facility, or other institution;
- b. Has been convicted of engaging or attempting to engage in sexual activity in the community facilitated by force, overt or implied threats of force, or coercion, or if the victim did not consent or was unable to consent or refuse; or
- c. Has been civilly or administratively adjudicated to have engaged in the activity described in F. 3. A. or b. above;
- d. Material omissions regarding such misconduct, or the provision of materially false information, shall be grounds for termination.
- (g) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states that agency policy states that material omissions regarding such misconduct, or the provision of materially false information, shall be grounds for termination.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Team Member Selection Policy 112.03, page 14, section 3. d., states, "Material omissions regarding such misconduct, or the provision of materially false information, shall be ground for termination."

(h) The facility provided an Employment Reference Check (by another agency). The document demonstrates the facility answers Administrative Adjudication questions for other institutional employers.
Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.

Upgrades to facilities and technologies 115.18 Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard **Auditor Discussion Document Review:** Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ Interviews: Unit Administrator / PREA Compliance Manager 2. Captain / PREA Coordinator Warden **Deputy Director of Prisons** Interviews with all the Captain / PREA Coordinator and PREA Manager demonstrated cameras and staff supervision is used throughout the campus. The facility documents all facility cameras in the staffing plan. The interviews with the Captain / PREA Coordinator, Warden and the Deputy Director of Prisons demonstrated sexual safety considerations are a constant a focus and cameras are updated and replaced as needed, an agency focus and effort to have all facilities on the same cameral system. Site Review Observation: Multiple cameras were witnessed throughout the facility. Cameras were reviewed in the Lieutenants Office, and all were found to be operable. The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the facility has not acquired a new facility or made substantial expansions or modifications to existing facilities since the last PREA audit. The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the facility has installed or updated a video monitoring system, electronic surveillance system, or other monitoring technology since August 20, 2012, or since the last PREA audit, whichever

is later.



115.21 Evidence protocol and forensic medical examinations

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

- 1. Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ
- 2. Nebraska Dept. Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, dated 7.31.2022
- 3. Nebraska Medical Sexual Assault Protocol, Nebraska Attorney General's Office, dated 7.2019
- 4. Facility Checklist for Incidents of Sexual Assault Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment, not dated
- 5. Nebraska Department of Correctional Services Memorandum, RE: Community Hospital MOU 115.21, dated 12.12.2022
- 6. Nebraska Department of Correctional Services Memorandum, RD: Standard 115.53 C-4 Advocacy Attempts, dated 11.22.2022
- 7. Nebraska Revised Statute 81-2005

Interviews:

- 1. Contracted Registered Nurse
- Associate Director of Nursing

Interviews medical personnel demonstrated the facility would use the University of Nebraska Medical Center for forensic exams.

Site Review Observation:

The facility has not experienced a sexual assault allegation or had a need for a forensic medical exam in the past 12 months.

(a) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the facility is responsible for conducting Administrative Investigations and the Nebraska State Patrol is responsible for conducting criminal sexual abuse investigations (including inmate-on-inmate sexual abuse or staff sexual misconduct. The PAQ states, "Nebraska State Patrol will investigate any criminal and two NDCS investigators has this responsibility."

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 10-11, section I. PREA Standard Secured Facility 115.21 a-h / Community Facility 115.221 a-h Evidence Protocol and Forensic Medical Examinations, states, "A forensic examination shall be performed by Sexual Assault Forensic Examiners (SAFEs) or Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners (SANEs) where possible. If SAFEs or SANEs cannot be made available, the examination can be performed by other qualified medical practitioners. This person shall be an individual who has been screened for appropriateness to serve in this role and has received education concerning sexual assault and forensic examination issues in general. The facility will document efforts to provide SAFEs or SANEs on the Facility Checklist for Incidents of Sexual Assault/Abuse (Attachment E).

In the event that an inmate is sent to the community hospital for a SANE examination, the facility Shift Supervisor will ask the inmate if they would like a victim advocate present at the hospital for support through the SANE examination. If the inmate indicates that they would like a victim advocate present, the facility Shift Supervisor will notify the hospital that a victim advocate was requested and will document on the Facility Checklist for Incidents of Sexual Assault/Abuse (Attachment E). The hospital will contact an advocate from a rape crisis center to be present. If an advocate is not available to provide victim advocate services, the facility shall make available a qualified individual from a community-based organization or qualified agency team member. This person shall be an individual who has been screened for appropriateness to serve in this role and has received education concerning sexual abuse/assault and forensic examination issues in general.

As requested by the victim, the victim advocate, qualified agency team member or qualified community-based organization staff member shall accompany and support the victim through the forensic examination process and investigatory interviews and shall provide emotional support, crisis intervention information and referrals.

If requested by the victim, he or she will be allowed to contact his or her emergency contact or an immediate family member via a team member assisted telephone call. The team member assisted call shall be no longer than 15 minutes in duration. Team members will document the call, or attempted call, on an Incident Report."

(b) Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the protocol being developmentally is appropriate for youth. The protocol was adapted from or otherwise based on the most recent edition of the DOJ's Office on Violence Against Women publication, "A National Protocol for Sexual Assault Medical Forensic Examinations,

Adults/Adolescents," or similarly comprehensive and authoritative protocols developed after 2011.

The facility provided the Nebraska Medical Sexual Assault Protocol, Nebraska Attorney General's Office. This protocol demonstrates the Nebraska Revised Statute 84-218 requires the Attorney General to develop and distribute a statewide model anonymous reporting protocol for use by health care providers as provided in Neb. Rev. Stat. 28-902.

(c) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the facility offers all inmates who experience sexual abuse access to forensic medical examinations. Forensic examinations are offered at no cost to the victim. Where possible, all examinations are conducted by SAFE or SANE examiners. There have been zero medical exams, SAFE/SANE exams performed in the last 12 months.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 20-21, section Z., PREA Standard 115.64 / Community Facility 115.264 Staff First Responder Duties, 1., b., states, "Inmate victims of sexual assault or inmates alleging they are victims of sexual assault which occurred within the past 120 hours will be referred immediately, under appropriate security provisions, to a Community Hospital for initial treatment and gathering of evidence without financial cost to the inmate. All forensic examinations shall be at a community hospital. If it is determined a forensic examination will be conducted Department medical staff may provide only emergency medical care prior to transport."

The facility provided a Facility Checklist for Incidents of Sexual Assault Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment. The checklist demonstrates the following information is documented and or directives are followed upon an allegation of sexual assault, sexual abuse and or sexual harassment.

- Date facility incident occurred/date and time reported/date and time of incident
- · First staff on Scene with title Means of Discovery/Reporting
- · Alleged Victim Name and Number Alleged Perpetrator-Name/
- · Witnesses of the Incident Name and Number
- Steps to ensure a coordinated response for Sexual Assault, Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment

The facility provided a Nebraska Department of Correctional Services Memorandum, RE: Community Hospital MOU 115.21, from the agency PREA Coordinator to the PREA Auditor, stating, "NDCS has not had a Memorandum of Understanding with the community hospital since 2016. This is due to the Community Hospitals that we utilize are required to have a SANE program that consists of SANE nurses that are available to conduct the SANE examinations. The State Sane Coordinator conducts the training for all Nebraska Hospitals."

(d) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the facility attempts to make a victim advocate from a rape crisis center available to the victim, in person or by other means. All efforts are documented. If a rape crisis center is not available to provide victim advocate services. The facility does employ qualified staff member to accompany victims. The PAQ states, "The community hospital contacts a victim advocate to be present."

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 11, section I. second paragraph., states, "In the event that an inmate is sent to the community hospital for a SANE examination, the facility Shift Supervisor will ask the inmate if they would like a victim advocate present at the hospital for support through the SANE examination. If the inmate indicates that they would like a victim advocate to present the facility Shift Supervisor will notify the hospital that a victim advocate was requested and will document on the Facility checklist for incidents of Sexual Assault, Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment. The hospital will contact an advocate from a rape crisis center to be present. If an advocate is not available to provide victim advocate services, the facility shall make available a qualified individual from a community-based organization or qualified agency team member. This person shall be an individual who has been screened for appropriateness to serves in this role and has received education concerning sexual abuse/assault and forensic examination issues in general."

The facility provided a Nebraska Department of Correctional Services Memorandum, RD: Standard 115.53 C-4 Advocacy Attempts from the agency PREA Coordinator to the PREA Auditor, stating, "On July 8th, 2022, NDCS signed a Memorandum of understanding with the Women's Center for Advancement. On February 10, 2022, NDCS received a letter from the Women's Center for Advancement. Stating WCA is terminating the MOU effective March 22, 2022.

- On March 29, 2022, The NDCS Captain / PREA Coordinator reached out to bridge from violence to attempt to enter into an MOU for advocacy care.
- On July 16, 2022, The NDCS Captain / PREA Coordinator reached out to YWCA to attempt to enter into an MOU for advocacy care.

- On September 28, 2022, The NDCS Captain / PREA Coordinator reached out to The Trevor Project to attempt to enter into an MOU for advocacy care.
- On September 28, 2022, The NDCS Captain / PREA Coordinator reached out to encourage advocacy to attempt to enter into an MOU for advocacy care.
- o Encourage was interested had a zoom meeting on October 28, 2022
- o Sent MOU example on 11-8-2022"
- (e) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states a qualified community member accompanies and supports the victim through the forensic medical examination process and investigatory interviews and provides emotional support, crisis intervention, information and referrals. Policy compliance can be found in provision (a) of this standard.
- (f, g) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency is responsible for administrative investigations.

The agency provided Nebraska Revised Statute 81-2005. This statute demonstrates the Nebraska State Patrol's commitment to investigating sexual abuse allegations within their confinement facilities. Section (3) states the following, "To make arrests upon view and without warrant for any violation committed in their presence of any provision of the laws of the state relating to misdemeanors or felonies, if and when designated or called upon to do as provided by law."

115.22 Policies to ensure referrals of allegations for investigations

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

- 1. Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ
- 2. Nebraska Dept. Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, dated 7.31.2022

Interviews:

1. Lieutenant / Investigator

The interview with the investigator demonstrated upon receiving information, suspicion or receipt of any type of allegation, he would investigate all administrative investigations and refer all sexual abuse allegations to the Nebraska State Patrol.

Site Review Observation:

The facility has zero investigations in past 12 months.

- (a) Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency ensures that an administrative or criminal investigations are completed for all allegations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment. In the past 12 months the facility has had zero allegations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment that were received.
- (b-c) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency has policy that requires allegations of sexual abuse or harassment to be referred for investigation to an agency with the legal authority to conduct criminal investigations. The agency policy can be found at Search | NDCS Nebraska Department of Correctional Services

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 11, section J. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.22 a-e / Community Facility 115.222 a-e Policies to Ensure Referrals of Allegations for Investigations, states, "NDCS shall ensure that an administrative or criminal investigation is completed for all allegations of sexual abuse/assault and sexual harassment, including third party and anonymous reports, in a prompt, thorough and objective manner. Any outside entities responsible for conducting administrative or criminal investigations of sexual

abuse/assault and sexual harassment shall have in place a policy governing the conduct of such investigations that complies with PREA standards and shall provide training pertaining to the investigation of sexual abuse/assault and sexual harassment in confinement settings to the agents and investigators who conduct such investigations. When outside agencies investigate sexual abuse/assault and sexual harassment, NDCS shall cooperate with outside investigators and endeavor to remain informed about the progress of the investigation."

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 24, section EE. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.71 a-1 / Community Facility 115.271 a-1 Criminal and Administrative Agency Investigations, 2. states, "If the allegation appears to be criminal in nature the PREA Coordinator will consult with the Investigation Coordinator for assignment to NDCS Criminal investigators and or the Nebraska State Patrol. Where sexual assault or sexual abuse is alleged by a Team Member refer to policy 215.01. If referred back to the facility to investigate, investigators who have received special training in sexual assault and abuse investigations will be utilized, the PREA Coordinator will notify the facility PREA Compliance Manager and assign the investigation a case number in the Investigator's Case Management Data Base. The case number will be given to the facility PREA Compliance Manager so he or she can keep track of the investigation. The PREA Compliance manager will meet with the victim and inform them of the open investigation and if the staff member or inmate has been reassigned to a different unit. Once completed, the investigation will be sent to the PREA Coordinator for review and appropriate action. If during the institutional investigation it is determined a crime has been committed, the investigation will stop the investigation and contact the PREA Coordinator, and the Investigation Coordinator will be immediately notified."

(d) This standard is not applicable as the facility completes Administrative Investigations and the Nebraska State Patrol is responsible for conducting Criminal Investigations.

115.31 Employee training

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

- 1. Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ
- 2. Nebraska Dept. Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, dated 7.31.2022
- 3. Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Searches Pre-Service Study Guide, dated 01.2019
- 4. Sexual Assault Abuse PowerPoint, dated 01.2020
- 5. Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Staff Training Academy Course Outline, 'Sexual Assault/Abuse, dated 01.2020
- 6. Nebraska Department of Correctional Services Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) of 2003: Information for Those with Direct and Indirect Contact with Inmates, Training Acknowledgment, not dated
- 7. Email Correspondence, to: Agency PREA Compliance Managers, RE: January PREA Refresher Information, dated 1.25.2023
- 8. Nebraska Dept. of Correctional Services, PREA Refresher: Prisons and Jails PREA Basics Curriculum, dated 5.2013

Interviews:

- 1. Case Workers / Corporals
- 2. Specialized Staff
- 3. Unit Administrator / PREA Compliance Manager
- 4. Captain / PREA Coordinator

Interviews with random and specialized staff demonstrated each were aware of and received initial and ongoing PREA training. When prompted, staff could speak to various information regarding separating residents, preserving evidence on victim and perpetrator bodies, posting a staff in the alleged area until investigators could arrive to collect evidence and notifying ranking staff, medical and the PREA Compliance Manager. Staff attested to training taking place during pre-service and inservice training.

Interviews with the Captain / PREA Coordinator and the Training Coordinator demonstrated training dates were revised to be completed every 18 months due to less in person contact due to COVID and emergency staffing issues, agency wide.

Site Observation:

Training files were reviewed by utilizing the PREA Audit Adult Prison & Jails Documentation Review Employee Files/Records Template. Review of 18 personnel files demonstrated staff had received PREA training initially and refresher training within 18 months of the initial or annual training. Staff had signed a training acknowledgment through the online training database. The agency has since rescheduled in-service trainings to be conducted annually as of 1.2024. In the meantime, the Captain / PREA Coordinator has implemented monthly PREA refresher trainings to ensure refresher trainings are completed in the current year of 2023.

(a) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency trains all employees who may have contact with Inmates in all required provisions of this standard.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 11-12, section K. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.31 a-d / Community Facility 115.231 a-d Employee Training, 1-2, state, "

- 1. Staff Training and Development will offer training (both pre-service and inservice classes) for all team members who may have contact with inmates based on the contents of this Policy and its attachments. Lesson plans will be based on this policy and its attachments and the federal PREA standards and any subsequent revisions thereof.
- 2. Pre-service and In-service team member training will consist of the following and will include gender specific approaches to working with male and female inmates:
- a. Zero-tolerance for sexual abuse/assault and sexual harassment.
- b. Fulfilling responsibilities with regard to prevention, detection, reporting and response policies and procedures for sexual abuse/assault and sexual harassment.
- c. Inmates' right to be free from sexual abuse/assault and sexual harassment.
- d. Inmates' and staffs' rights to be free from retaliation for reporting sexual abuse/ assault and sexual harassment.

- e. Dynamics of sexual abuse/assault and sexual harassment in confinement.
- f. Common reactions of sexual abuse/assault and sexual harassment victims.
- g. Detecting and responding to signs of threatened and actual sexual abuse/assault and sexual harassment.
- h. Avoiding inappropriate relationships with inmates including sexual abuse/assault and sexual harassment.
- i. Communicating effectively and professionally with inmates, including lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex, and gender nonconforming inmates about sexual abuse/assault and sexual harassment.
- j. Complying with relevant laws related to mandatory reporting of sexual abuse/ assault to outside authorities.
- k. Conducting cross-gender pat searches (male staff will only pat search female inmates in exigent circumstances) and searches of transgender and intersex inmates in a professional and respectful manner, and in the possible, consistent with security needs (Preservice and as needed)."

The facility provided a Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/ Abuse PREA Training PowerPoint. The fifth slide states, "The Nebraska Department of Correctional Services has a Zero Tolerance policy regarding sexual assault, sexual abuse, sexual harassment and retaliation for reporting such incidents. Inmates have the right to be free from Sexual Abuse, Sexual Assault and Sexual Harassment. Inmates and Staff have the right to be free from retaliation for reporting Sexual Abuse, Sexual Assault and Sexual Harassment."

In total, the PowerPoint Course Overview includes the following:

- PREA Standards
- Zero Tolerance
- Prohibited Behaviors
- · Prevention, detection, reporting and response
- · Reporting methods for staff and Inmates
- Avoiding inappropriate relationships with inmates
- Prevention Planning
- Responsive Planning

- · Training and Education
- · Screening for risk of sexual victimization and abusiveness
- · Reporting methods
- · Official response following an inmate report
- Investigations
- Discipline
- · Medical and Mental Health Care
- · Data collection and review
- Audits

The facility provided a Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/ Abuse Pre-Service – Study Guide. The Study Guide includes the following topics:

- · Zero Tolerance
- Prohibited Behaviors
- Prevention
- · Detection
- Reporting methods for staff
- Investigations
- Fears of Reporting
- · Reporting methods for inmates
- Advocacy
- · All staff have a duty to prevent and report incidents of sexual assault/abuse or retaliation
- (b) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states training is tailored to the unique needs and attributes and gender of inmates at the facility. Policy compliance can be found in provision (a) of this standard.
- (c) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states between trainings the agency provides employees who may have contact with inmates with refresher

information about current policies regarding sexual abuse and sexual harassment. The frequency with which employees who may have contact with inmates receive refresher training on PREA requirements, yearly.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 12, section 3, states, "NDCS will provide In-service training every year to ensure all team members know the current sexual abuse/assault and sexual harassment policies and procedures. Refresher information on current sexual abuse/assault and sexual harassment policies will be provided as needed."

(d) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency documents that employees who may have contact with inmates, understand the training they have received through employee signature or electronic verification.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 13, section 4, states, "Pre-Service and In-Service training shall be documented, with the team member's signature indicating understanding of the training received.

The facility provided a sample Nebraska Department of Correctional Services Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) of 2003: Information for Those with Direct and Indirect Contact with Inmates, training acknowledgment, dated by employee on 11.8.2021. The first paragraph of this acknowledgment states, "The Nebraska Department of Correctional Service has a ZERO TOLERANCE standard for sexual abuse, sexual harassment and retaliation for reporting such incidents in its prisons, community corrections facilities and parole. The intent of PREA is to ensure a safe, humane and appropriately secure environment, free from all forms of sexual abuse for all inmates. You have an obligation to maintain clear boundaries with inmates and to establish a relation of authority, objectivity and professionalism, you must not allow the development of personal, unduly familiar, emotional or sexual relationships to occur with inmates. Please remember that any sexual contact between an inmate and staff, volunteers or contractors, including kissing, is considered a form of sexual abuse."

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) of 2003: Information for Those with Direct and Indirect Contact with Inmates, training acknowledgment, third paragraph, states, "YOU HAVE A DUTY TO REPORT. Reporting methods include but are not limited to:

- Supervisor
- Facility PREA Compliance Manager

- · Warden
- · PREA Coordinator (402.479.5660)
- · Department Investigator
- · Privately via PREA Hotline (855.623.7360)"

The last paragraph of the acknowledgment states, "I acknowledge that I have been trained on and understand the Prison Rape Elimination Act, NDCS policy and procedures and the Department's zero tolerance standard for all forms of sexual abuse. I also acknowledge that I will report any findings of sexual abuse immediately."

115.32 Volunteer and contractor training

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

- 1. Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ
- 2. Nebraska Dept. Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, dated 7.31.2022
- 3. Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Community Partner Orientation PowerPoint, dated 2.2021
- 4. Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Volunteer Orientation Handbook, dated 2.2018
- 5. Nebraska Department of Correctional Services Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) of 2003: Information for Those with Direct and Indirect Contact with Inmates, Training Acknowledgment, not dated
- Post Audit: Volunteer Training Packet, dated 9.15.2022

Interviews:

- 1. Contracted Registered Nurse
- 2. Religious Volunteer

The interview with the contractor and volunteer demonstrated each had received training on the agency zero tolerance policy for sexual harassment and sexual abuse and the training included how and who to report allegations to within the facility and their immediate supervisors.

Site Observation:

Training files for contractors and volunteers were reviewed by utilizing the PREA Audit Adult Prison & Jails Documentation Review Employee Files/Records Template. File review demonstrated each had completed PREA Education before having access to residents.

(a) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states all volunteers and contractors who have contact with Inmates have been trained on their responsibilities under the agency's policies and procedures regarding sexual abuse and harassment

prevention, detection, and response. The number of volunteers and contractors, who have contact with residents, who have been trained in agency's policies and procedures regarding sexual abuse and sexual harassment prevention, detection, and response is 16.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 13, section L. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.32 a-c / Community Facility 115.232 a-c Volunteer and Contractor Training, state,

- 1. "NDCS shall ensure all volunteers and contractors who have contact with inmates have been trained on their responsibilities regarding policies and procedures on sexual abuse/assault and sexual harassment prevention, detection and response.
- 2. All volunteers and contractors who have contact with inmates shall be notified of NDCS's zero tolerance policy regarding sexual abuse/assault and sexual harassment and informed how to report such incidents. The level and type of training provided shall be based on the services they provide and level of contact they have with inmates.
- 3. NDCS shall maintain documentation confirming volunteers and contractors understand the training they have received."

The facility provided a Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Community Partner Orientation PowerPoint. The purpose of the training is to prepare volunteers and contractors to be successful in the correctional environment. Topics include:

- · The eight points of Volunteer Pledge
- The three points of the Volunteer Waiver
- · The PREA Agreement
- · The 17 topics from the Volunteer Training Record
- (b) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states all volunteers and contractors who have contact with Inmates have been notified of the agency's zero-tolerance policy regarding sexual abuse and sexual harassment and informed how to report such incidents. Curriculum compliance can be found in provision (a) of this standard.

(b) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency maintains documentation confirming that the volunteers and contractors understand the training they have received.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 14, section L. 3., states, "NDCS shall maintain documentation confirming volunteers and contractors understand the training they have received."

The facility provided a Nebraska Department of Correctional Services Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) of 2003: Information for Those with Direct and Indirect Contact with Inmates, Training Acknowledgment. This document is used for staff and contractors and is explained in detail in § 115.31.

Post audit, the facility provided the volunteer packet for the religious volunteer. The packet includes response to administrative adjudication questions, acknowledgement of receipt of the NDCS Volunteer Handbook and agreement to abide by the procedures and protocols. Volunteer training records demonstrate training included Reporting to staff, sexual assault on inmates, victim assistance, workplace harassment and inmate sexual assault/abuse agreement for volunteers and contractors.

Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.33 Inmate education Auditor Overall Determination: Exceeds Standard **Auditor Discussion Document Review:** Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ 1. Nebraska Dept. Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, dated 7.31.2022 Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11.1, dated 7.31.2022 Nebraska Department of Corrections, Sexual Assault Awareness Flyer, English and Spanish, dated 4.2021 Nebraska Dept. of Corrections Sexual Assault Awareness Brochure, English and Spanish, dated 4.2021 Nebraska Department of Corrections Sexual Assault Orientation PowerPoint presentation, not dated Prison Rape Elimination Act Inmate Orientation Information, Inmate Acknowledgement, not dated Interviews: 1. Random Inmates 2. Targeted Inmates Unit Case Manager Interviews with inmates demonstrated each received PREA education on the day of admission which included instruction on zero tolerance based on the agency PREA policy, reporting options, and understanding their rights in a language and format they understood. The interview with Unit Case Manager demonstrated she provides inmates education on the day they arrive and again within seven days by reviewing a PowerPoint presentation with all newly admitted inmates.

Site Observation:

During the onsite review the Auditor was able to observe a new intake being provided very extensive PREA education regarding the agency zero tolerance policy, his rights, how to report when and to who, where reporting information could be located in the facility and in the rulebook, the investigation processes and retaliation. The inmate was asked if he had any questions and then he signed an acknowledgment of the education he received.

Training files were reviewed by utilizing the PREA Audit Adult Prison & Jails Documentation Review Inmate Files/Records Template. Review of 16 inmate files, 10 of which had been admitted to the facility within the past 12 months, each of the 10 had received PREA education at the time of intake and again within seven to 10 days.

(a) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states inmates receive information at time of intake about the zero-tolerance policy and how to report incidents or suspicions of sexual abuse or sexual harassment. 46 inmates admitted in the past 12 months were given information at intake.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 13, section M. PREA Standard Secure Facility 1115.33 a-f / Community Confinement 1115.233 a-f Inmate Education, 1., states, "During the intake process at all NDCS facilities, inmates shall receive information explaining NDCS' zero tolerance policy regarding sexual abuse/assault and sexual harassment, and retaliation for reporting such incidents and how to report incidents or suspicions of sexual abuse/assault or sexual harassment."

- (b) Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the number of those residents admitted in the past 12 months who received comprehensive age-appropriate education on their rights to be free from sexual abuse and sexual harassment, from retaliation for reporting such incidents, and on agency policies and procedures for responding to such incidents within 10 days of intake was 46
- (c) Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states of those who were not educated during 10 days of intake, all residents have been educated subsequently. Agency policy requires that residents who are transferred from one facility to another be educated regarding their rights to be free from sexual abuse and sexual harassment and to be free from retaliation for reporting such incidents, and regarding agency policies and procedures for responding to such incidents to the extent that the policies and procedures of the new facility differ from those of the previous facility.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 13, section M. PREA Standard Secure Facility 1115.33 a-f / Community Confinement 1115.233 a-f Inmate Education, 2., states, "Within 30 days of intake, inmates newly assigned to NDCS shall receive comprehensive education through use of a power point/video presentation, with staff available to answer questions, regarding their right to be free from sexual abuse/assault and sexual harassment, their right to be free from retaliation for reporting such incidents and agency policies and procedures for responding to such incidents. This comprehensive education will be conducted at reception intake facilities only."

Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11.1, page 14, section M. 4., states, "Upon transfer to NCYF, information specific to the facility's procedures shall be provided to the inmate."

(d) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states Inmate PREA education is available in accessible formats for all inmates including those who are limited English proficient, deaf, visually impaired, otherwise disabled or have limited reading skills.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 13, section M. PREA Standard Secure Facility 1115.33 a-f / Community Confinement 1115.233 a-f Inmate Education, 3., states, "Information will be provided in formats accessible to all inmates, including those who are deaf or hard of hearing, visually impaired or otherwise disabled; those who have intellectual, psychiatric or speech disabilities; as well as to inmates who have limited reading skills and who are limited English proficient."

The facility provided a Nebraska Department of Corrections Sexual Assault Orientation PowerPoint presentation. The presentation includes the following components.

- Your Rights
- Prohibited behaviors
- · Ways to keep yourself safe
- How to Report
- Medical and Mental Health Care
- Investigation Process
- False Reporting

- · Prison Rape Elimination Act
- · Zero Tolerance
- · Prohibited Behaviors with Inmates
- · Prohibited Behaviors with Staff
- · PREA Screening Tool
- Self Protections
- Reporting Methods
- Forensic Exams
- Medical Care
- · Mental Health Care
- Feelings and Reactions
- Investigations
- · False Reporting

The facility provided a Nebraska Department of Corrections, Sexual Assault Awareness flyers in English and Spanish. These flyers educate inmates on the following:

- PREA Hotline PIN 0-111-11-1111, Speed dial 08#
- Agency Zero Tolerance Policy
- Staff on Inmate Sexual Behavior
- · Inmate on Inmate or Inmate on Staff Sexual Behavior
- · If You Are Sexually Assaulted preservation, reporting protocols, advocacy services
- Self-Protection
- Nebraska State Statutes
- (e) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the facility maintains documentation of inmate participation in PREA education sessions.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 14, section M. 5., states, "Receipt of information at intake, within 30 days and upon transfer to any facility, shall be documented through inmate signature and maintained in the inmate file." Receipt compliance can be found in provision (b) of this standard.

The facility provided Prison Rape Elimination Act Inmate Orientation Information, Inmate Acknowledgement. Acknowledgements are signed and dated by incarcerated individuals and a staff witness.

(f) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency ensures that key information about the agency's PREA policies is continuously and readily available or visible through posters, inmate handbooks, or other written formats.

Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11.1, page 14, section M. 6., states, "In addition to providing such education, NCYF shall ensure key information is continuously, readily available and visible to inmates though posters, inmate handbooks or other written formats."

The facility provided a Nebraska Dept. of Corrections Sexual Assault Awareness brochure in English and Spanish. The brochure provides the following components.

- Staff-On-Inmate Sexual Behavior
- · Inmate-On-Inmate or Inmate-On-Staff Sexual Behavior
- · If you are sexual assaulted...
- Self Protection
- · Nebraska State Statute
- · PREA Hotline
- Zero Tolerance

Through such reviews of all inmate files reviewed having the required PREA education and the observation of the delivering of comprehensive PREA education upon arrival, the facility exceeds the standard requirements.

115.34 Specialized training: Investigations

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

- 1. Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ
- 2. Nebraska Dept. Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, dated 7.31.2022
- 3. Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11.1, dated 7.31.2022
- 4. Specialized Investigative Training: PREA, not dated
- 5. Specialized Investigative Training: PREA Investigating Sexual Abuse in a Confinement Setting Instructor Outline, not dated
- 6. NDCS PREA Investigator Training Spreadsheet
- 7. State of Nebraska Employee Development Center, NDCS PREA Investigator Certificates

Interviews and on site file review:

- 1. Lieutenant
- 2. Criminal Investigator

The interviews with the Administrative and Criminal Investigator demonstrate both have completed investigator training through the Nebraska Department of Correctional Services curriculum, taught by the agency PREA Coordinator.

Pre-Audit Observation:

During the pre-audit phase, the agency uploaded a Specialized Investigative Training spreadsheet demonstrating investigators interviewed and those completing investigations at the facility have received specialized investigator training.

(a-b) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency policy requires that investigators are trained in conducting sexual abuse investigations in confinement settings.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 14, section N. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.34 a-d / Community Facility 115.234 a-d Specialized Training: Investigations 1. states, "In addition to the general training provided to all team members, investigators will receive training in conducting investigations in confinement settings, to include a. Techniques for interviewing victims of sexual abuse/assault. b. Proper use of Miranda and Garrity warnings. c. Sexual abuse/assault evidence collection in confinement settings. d. Criteria and evidence required to substantiate a case for administrative action or prosecution referral."

Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11.1, page 14, section N. 2., states, "NCYF shall maintain documentation confirming investigators have received specialized training in conducting sexual assault/abuse and sexual harassment investigations. This documentation is maintained in a team member's Employee Development Center (EDC) record."

The facility provided Specialized Investigative Training: PREA Investigating Sexual Abuse in a Confinement Setting PowerPoint. Training curriculum includes:

- Background of PREA
- · Investigation basics
- Working with victims
- · Trauma informed approach
- Interviewing
- False reports
- · Culture
- Practical exercise

The facility provided PREA Instructor Outline for Specialized Investigative Training: PREA Investigating Sexual Abuse in a Confinement Setting Instructor Outline. This course overview includes:

- PREA Standard 115.21/115.221
- PREA Standard 115.34/115.234
- PREA Standard 115.71/115.271
- PREA Standard 115.72/115.272

- · Investigation Basics
- · Assignment of Investigation
- · Criminal V Administrative
- Basic Investigation Steps
- · Initial Response
- · Investigation
- Determination of Findings
- · Prosecutorial Referral
- · Investigative Report Packet
- Working with Victims
- Understanding Victim's Background
- · Biological Impact of Trauma
- · Trauma's Effect on Brain
- · Immediate Reaction
- Being Very Impressive
- · Remaining Controlled, Numb
- · Associated Problems
- · Short-Term Aftermath
- · Long-Term Aftermath
- · Confinement Setting Aftermath Issues
- · Additional Male Aftermath Issues
- · Additional Female Aftermath Issues
- PTSD
- Trauma Informed Approach
- · Avoid Additional Harm
- Avoid Secondary Harm
- Delayed Reporting
- Delayed Reporting in Youth

Hesitant Victims Staff Aggressors Interviewing Personal Biases Managing Biases **Initial Interviewing** Soft Interviewing Hard Interviewing Communication: Female Inmates/Male Inmates/Minority Populations Hostile or Uncooperative Victims When to Interview Victim Negative Effects of Repeated Interviews Handling False Reports **False Reports** Sexualized Work Environment Signs of Sexual Abuse Perpetrated by Inmates Staff Sexual Misconduct Red Flags of Sexual Abuse Perpetrated by Staff Red Flags Exhibited by Staff Influences of Reporting Culture Reporting Inmate Code of Silence Staff Code of Silence Strategies for Changing Culture Investigators Influence (c) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency maintains documentation showing that investigators have completed the required training. The number of investigators currently employed who have completed the required training is 2.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 14, section N. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.34 a-d / Community Facility 115.234 a-d Specialized Training: Investigations, 2., states, "NDCS shall maintain documentation confirming investigators have received specialized training in conducting sexual abuse/assault investigations."

The agency provided a NDCS – PREA Investigator Training Spreadsheet demonstrating the agency has two employees who have completed specialized training for investigators.

The facility provided two State of Nebraska Employee Development Center, NDCS PREA Investigator Certificates.

Through such reviews the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.35 Specialized training: Medical and mental health care

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

- 1. Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ
- 2. Nebraska Dept. Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, dated 7.31.2022
- 3. NCYF Course Completion History, dated 1.4.2023
- 4. Post Audit: Two National PREA Resource Center Specialized Medical and Mental Health Training Certificates

Interviews:

- 1. Contracted Registered Nurse
- 2. Nurse Supervisor / Supervisor of Contracted Medical Personnel
- 3. Mental Health Practitioner Supervisor
- 4. Captain / PREA Coordinator

The interview with medical and mental health staff demonstrated each had completed training in regard to the agency zero tolerance policy. The interview also demonstrated the medical and mental health staff had not completed specialized training for medical and mental health staff. Each were aware the PREA Coordinator had scheduled and were attending the specialized training the following week.

The interview with the Captain / PREA Coordinator demonstrated she had scheduled specialized training for all medical and mental health staff and contractors in three scheduled sessions the week following the onsite review.

Site Observation:

Post audit the facility provided two National PREA Resource Center Specialized Medical and Mental Health Training Certificates.

(a) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency has a policy related to the training of medical and mental health practitioners who work regularly

in its facilities. 80% contractors who work at the facility have received training required by agency policy.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy, page 14, section O PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.35 a-d / Community Facility 115.235 a-d Specialized Training: Medical and Mental Health 1., states, "All full and part-time medical and mental health care practitioners will receive training in the following:

- a. Detecting and assessing signs of sexual abuse/assault and sexual harassment.
- b. Preserving physical evidence of sexual abuse/assault.
- c. Responding effectively and professionally to victims of sexual abuse/assault and sexual harassment.
- d. Reporting allegations or suspicions of sexual abuse/assault or sexual harassment."

The facility provided a Prison Rape Elimination Act NDCS Director of Nursing Medical Training Curriculum. The curriculum goals are to:

- · Detect and assess signs of sexual abuse and sexual harassment
- · Preserving physical evidence of sexual abuse
- \cdot Responding effectively and professionally to victims of sexual abuse and sexual harassment
- · Reporting allegations or suspicions of sexual abuse or sexual harassment
- (b) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states their medical staff do not conduct forensic medical exams.
- (c) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency maintains documentation showing that medical and mental health practitioners have completed the required training.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy, page 14, section O PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.35 a-d / Community Facility 115.235 a-d Specialized Training: Medical and Mental Health 3., state,

1. "Medical and mental health practitioners shall receive the applicable training mandated for team members or contractors and volunteers depending upon the

practitioner's status at NDCS.

2. Medical and mental health practitioners shall receive the applicable training mandated for team members or contractors and volunteers depending upon the practitioner's status at NDCS."

The facility provided a NCYF Course Completion History. The report documents the following.

- User ID Staff Number
- Learner Staff Name
- Department
- User Location Facility
- · Job Title
- · Module
- · Status Completed/Blank
- Due Date
- · Final Exam Score
- · Completion Type Online Completion

Post audit the facility provided nine National PREA Resource Center Specialized Medical and Mental Health Training Certificates.

Through such reviews the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.41 Screening for risk of victimization and abusiveness

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

- 1. Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ
- 2. Nebraska Dept. Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, dated 7.31.2022
- 3. Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Identification of Potential Aggressors and Victims Policy 201.03, dated 7.31.2022
- 4. Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Potential for Sexual Assault/ Sexual Victimization Screening Instrument, dated 2.1.2022
- NCYF Screening Users Spreadsheet

Interviews:

- 1. Random Inmates
- 2. Targeted Inmates
- 3. Unit Administrator / PREA Compliance Manager

Interviews with inmates demonstrated most remembered being asked risk screening questions at intake and within 30 days thereafter. Inmates could attest to have been asked questions regarding their past criminal history, sexual orientation, past victimization and their perception of feeling safe in this facility.

The interview with the Unit Administrator demonstrated she completes risk assessments on every inmate who enters the program. The Unit Administrator stated she completes risk assessments in a one-on-one environment and considers their age, classification received from the Reception and Treatment Center, information that is self-reported, previous classifications, mental health, central monitoring and all collateral information available to her.

Site Observation:

Inmate files were reviewed by utilizing the PREA Audit Adult Prison & Jails Documentation Review Inmate Files/Records Template. File review of 16 inmate files demonstrated each had a completed risk assessment upon intake and again within 30

days thereafter.

(a) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the facility has a policy that requires screening, upon admission or transfer, for risk of sexual abuse victimization or sexual abusiveness toward other Inmates.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 14-15, section P. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.41 a-I / Community Facility 115.241 a-I Screening for Risk of Victimization and Abusiveness, states, "Each inmate will be assessed using the PREA Screening Assessment located in NICAMS, the PREA Screening Assessment will be completed during the intake process at each facility to determine the inmate's risk of being sexually abused by another inmate or sexually abusive towards other inmates. This screening will consider prior acts of sexual abuse/assault, prior convictions for violent offenses and history of prior institutional violence or sexual abuse/assault as known to NDCS. When the PREA Screening assessment indicates an inmate has experienced prior sexual victimization or has previously perpetrated sexual abuse, Mental Health staff will meet with the inmate within 14 days and complete the Mental Health PREA screening form. Additional criteria for when a PREA Screening Assessment needs to be completed and the criteria for determining risk of being sexual abused or sexually abusive towards others is detailed in policy 201.03, Identification of Potential Aggressors and Victims."

(b) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the number of inmates entering the facility (either through intake or transfer) within the past 12 months (whose length of stay in the facility was for 72 hours or more) who were screened for risk of sexual victimization or risk of sexually abusing other inmates with 72 hours of their entry into the facility was 46.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Identification of Potential Aggressors and Victims Policy 201.03, page 1, section I., Screening Procedures, states, "All inmates shall be assessed during an intake screening at reception facilities and upon each transfer to another facility for their risk of being sexually abused/assaulted by other inmates or sexually abusive toward other inmates. This screening shall ordinarily take place within 72 hours of arrival at the facility and be conducted using an objective screening instrument. NDCS shall implement appropriate controls on the dissemination of this information within facilities in order to ensure sensitive information is not exploited to an inmate's detriment by staff or other inmates."

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Identification of Potential Aggressors and Victims Policy 201.03, page 4, section II., states, "Within a set time period not to

exceed 30 days from the inmate's arrival at the facility, the facility will reassess the inmate's risk of victimization or abusiveness based upon any additional, relevant information received by the facility since the 72-hour intake screening. When an inmate is transferred to another facility the inmate must be screened within 72 hours of arrival and then again within a set time frame not to exceed 30 days."

(c) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the facility conducts risk assessments by using an objective screening instrument.

The facility provided a Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Potential for Sexual Assault/Sexual Victimization Screening Instrument. The screening instrument includes the following Characteristics:

Criminal History Check:

- Who completed the Criminal History check: Name/Date?
- · Has the individual been previously incarcerated?
- How many times
- Is the criminal history nonviolent only?
- Number of convictions that are of a violent nature to include sexual violence?
- How many convictions of sexual violence?
- Is the current conviction sexual violence?
- How many convictions for sexual violence against a child?
- How many for convictions for sexual violence against an adult
- NDCS history of perpetrated violence for sexual assault/abuse and o harassment (Misconduct reports) explain

Need to ask inmate the below questions

- Have you been previously incarcerated?
- How many times?
- Number of convictions that are of a violent nature include sexual violence?
- How may convictions for sexual violence?

- · How many convictions for sexual violence against a child?
- How many convictions for sexual violence against an adult?
- · Age of individual
- Height of individual
- · Build of individual
- Are you willing to tell me if you've ever been a survivor/victim of sexual abuse?
- · Are you a survivor of sex assault/abuse?
- Can you tell me if the sexual assault/abuse happened in: an institution/the community? (If answers yes to any of the above as the inmate if they would like to speak to a mental health staff member.) (Mental health referral completed)
- Do you have any fears for your safety while incarcerated? What are those fears?
- · What is your gender Identity? (male/female/transgender male/transgender female/Intersex/gender non-conforming/other/chooses not to answer)
- · What is your sexual orientation? (lesbian/gay/bisexual/heterosexual/other/chooses not to answer)
- (d) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the policy requires that the facility reassess each inmate's risk of victimization or abusiveness within a set time period, not to exceed 30 days after the inmate's arrival at the facility, based upon any additional, relevant information received by the facility since the intake screening. The number of inmates entering the facility (either through intake or transfer) within the past 12 months (whose length of stay in the facility was for 30 days or more) who were reassessed for their risk of sexual victimization or of being sexually abusive with 30 days after their arrival at the facility based upon any additional relevant information received since intake was 46. Policy compliance can be found in provision (b) of this standard.
- (e) Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Identification of Potential Aggressors and Victims Policy 201.03, page 4-5, section V. A-F, state, "The Potential for Sexual Assault/Sexual Victimization Screening Instrument should be reviewed and re-scored as necessary by designated unit staff when warranted due to a referral, request, incident of sexual abuse or receipt of additional information that bears on the inmate's risk of sexual victimization or abusiveness. Each rescreening will be posted to Data Entry and Inquiry (NICaMS). For tracking purposes, a new entry should be made in Data Entry and Inquiry (NICaMS), rather than editing a previous entry.

- A. Review when there is a significant change in custody level, risk factors, historical data or override provisions.
- B. Review upon receipt of an unsubstantiated PREA investigation and rescore if deemed necessary.
- C. Review and rescore upon receipt of a substantiated PREA investigation.
- D. Review and rescore upon receipt of an aggressive misconduct report.
- E. Review and rescore if the new conviction was sexual or violent in nature or if additional significant information regarding a current offense is received.
- F. Review and rescore each known transgender inmate twice a year.

If this rescore suggests any change in the inmate's aggression or victimization potential, changes to the inmate's housing, programming and work assignments shall be made as appropriate.

If an inmate's behavior indicates that he or she should no longer be classified as a Potential

Aggressor/Victim, unit staff and mental health staff should make recommendations if an inmate's behavior indicates that he or she should no longer be classified as a Potential.

Aggressor/Victim, unit staff and mental health staff should make recommendations during the annual screenings and forward to the Institutional Classification Committee. The Warden shall be the final authority, as outlined in the override provisions.

When facility staff are made aware of any inmate-on-inmate abuse incidents, a referral must be made to mental health staff upon learning of such abuse history. Treatment will be provided as deemed necessary by mental health staff.

The agency shall implement appropriate controls on the dissemination within the facility of responses to questions asked in order to ensure that sensitive information is not exploited to the inmate's detriment by staff or other inmates. (PREA standard Secured facilities 115.41i/ Community facility 115.241i)"

(e) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the policy requires that the facility reassess each inmate's risk of victimization or abusiveness within a set time

period, not to exceed 30 days after the inmate's arrival at the facility, based upon any additional, relevant information received by the facility since the intake screening. The number of inmates entering the facility (either through intake or transfer) within the past 12 months whose length of stay in the facility was for 30 days or more and who were reassessed for their risk of sexual victimization or of being sexually abusive within 30 days after their arrival at the facility based upon any additional, relevant information received since intake was 46.

(f) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the policy requires that an inmate's risk level be reassessed when warranted due to a referral, request, incident of sexual abuse, or receipt of additional information that bears on the inmate's risk of sexual victimization or abusiveness.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Identification of Potential Aggressors and Victims Policy 201.03, page 4, section V., "Reassessments Using the Potential for Sexual Assault/Sexual Victimization Screening Instrument (PREA standard Secured facilities 115.41g/ Community facility 15.241g) The Potential for Sexual Assault/Sexual Victimization Screening Instrument should be reviewed and re-scored as necessary by designated unit staff when warranted due to a referral, request, incident of sexual abuse or receipt of additional information that bears on the inmate's risk of sexual victimization or abusiveness. Each rescreening will be posted to Data Entry and Inquiry (NICaMS). For tracking purposes, a new entry should be made in Data Entry and Inquiry (NICaMS), rather than editing a previous entry.

- A. Review when there is a significant change in custody level, risk factors, historical data or override provisions.
- B. Review upon receipt of an unsubstantiated PREA investigation and rescore if deemed necessary.
- C. Review and rescore upon receipt of a substantiated PREA investigation.
- D. Review and rescore upon receipt of an aggressive misconduct report.
- E. Review and rescore if the new conviction was sexual or violent in nature or if additional significant information regarding a current offense is received.
- F. Review and rescore each known transgender inmate twice a year. If this rescore suggests any change in the inmate's aggression or victimization potential, changes to the inmate's housing, programming and work assignments shall be made as appropriate. "
- (g) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the policy prohibits disciplining inmates for refusing to answer (or for not disclosing complete information

related to) questions regarding: (a) whether or not the inmate has a mental, physical, or developmental disability; (b) whether or not the inmate is or is perceived to be gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, intersex, or gender non-conforming; (c) whether or not the inmate has previously experienced sexual victimization; and (d) the inmate's own perception of vulnerability.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Identification of Potential Aggressors and Victims Policy 201.03, page 3, section C., last paragraph, states, "Inmates may not be disciplined for refusing to answer or not disclosing complete information in response to the aforementioned questions.

The facility provided a NCYF Screening Users Spreadsheet. The spreadsheet demonstrates PREA super users, four employees, have access to the risk screening tools.

Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.42 Use of screening information

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

- 1. Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ
- 2. Nebraska Dept. Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, dated 7.31.2022
- 3. Monthly Tracker Review Form
- 4. Potential Aggressor/Victim Monthly Tracking Form, dated 11.1.2008
- 5. Post Audit: Memorandum, RE: Policy 201.03 HA/HV Notifications, dated 2.21.2023
- 6. Post Audit: Classification Roster for NCY, dated 2.28.2023

Interviews:

- 1. Targeted Inmates, youthful inmates
- 2. Kitchen Staff, informally
- 3. Unit Administrator
- 4. Warden

Interviews with targeted inmates demonstrated each had been housed in Housing Unit 4 where only youthful inmates are housed.

Formal and informal interviews with staff demonstrated inmate's risk level is not shared with departmental staff as potential victims and or perpetrators.

The interview with the Unit Administrator and Warden demonstrated staff who have access to the risk assessments is limited to themselves, Case Managers, mental health and medical personnel.

On Site Observation:

The facility staff could not demonstrate systems were not in place to ensure the facility used information from the risk screening required by § 115.41 to inform

housing, bed, work, education, and program assignments with the goal of keeping separate those inmates at high risk of being sexually victimized from those at high risk of being sexually abusive.

An action plan was requested to include a sustainable system to ensure requirements of 115.42 are met. Post audit the facility provided a memorandum, RE: Policy 201.03 HA/HV Notifications, stating, "Each month, Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility (NCYF) unit management team reviews current tracking for those who are identified as a High Aggressor (HA), High Victim (HV), or both (HA/HV). At least once a month the Institutional Classification Committee (ICC) will review those on this list and will be marked as HA, HV, or HA/HV on the classification list. This list will be distributed to all NCYF team members. As a work area/sips supervisor, please utilize this information for review of job detail placement as needed.

When a new incarcerated individual is assigned to NCYF, unit management will complete the proper assessments upon arrival. If identified as a HA, HV, HA/HV; unit management will add this indicator to their initial job placement information on the classification list to notify the work area supervisor.

This information is considered sensitive/confidential in nature and is not to be shared with any member of the population."

Post audit the facility provided Classification Roster for NCY demonstrating facility administration has convened and discussed risk levels for seven residents.

(a) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the facility uses information from the risk screening required by §115.341 to inform housing, bed, work, education, and program assignments with the goal of keeping separate those inmates at high risk of being sexually victimized from those at high risk of being sexually abusive.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 15, section Q. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.42 a-g / Community Facility 115.242 a-g Use of Screening Information 1., states, "Facilities will utilize information from the risk screening to inform housing, bed, work, education and program assignments with the goal of keeping those inmates who are at high risk of being sexually victimized from those who are at high risk of being sexually abusive. The institution's physical plant, staffing levels, size, and number of programs and services, as well as activity schedules, will determine the extent to which separation

is possible or contacts minimized. Computer tracking of high risk inmates within an institution may be utilized. Facilities will make individualized determinations about how to ensure the safety of each inmate."

The facility provided a monthly tracker review from August 2022. The tracker documents the following.

Inmates with High Sexual Assault / Sexual Victimization Screening

- Inmates with High Sexual Violence Potential
 - i. Name
 - ii. Housing Unit
 - iii. Current Tracking
 - iv. Last Tracking
 - v. Recommendations
- Inmates with High Sexual Victimization Potential
 - i. Name
 - ii. Housing Unit
 - iii. Current Tracking
 - iv. Last Tracking
 - v. Recommendations

The facility provided a Potential Aggressor/Victim Monthly Tracking Form. The form tracks the following.

- Institution
- · Inmate Name / Number
- · Date / Previous Review Date
- Location

Perpetrator Review Criteria

- · Incident Reports/Misconduct Reports related to violence
- · Arguments with staff or inmates
- · Room restrictions for disruptive behavior
- Verbal threats to sexually assault other inmates
- Verbal threats to sexually assault staff
- Rule violation for being in unauthorized areas in another inmate's room or having an out of bounds inmate in his/her room.
- Stalking behavior aimed at staff
- · Stalking behavior aimed at inmate
- Sexual activities with another inmate
- Sexual activities with a staff member
- Reports of sexual harassment or abuse of other inmates lacking sufficient evidence to sanction inmate
- · Associating with an inmate at high risk for victimization.

The form is reviewed by Unit staff, Mental Health staff and the Institutional Classification Committee.

- (b) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency/facility makes individualized determinations about how to ensure the safety of each inmate. Policy compliance regarding individualized determinations can be found in provision (a) of this standard.
- (c-g) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency/facility makes housing and program assignments for transgender, or intersex inmates in the facility on a case-by-case bases.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 15, section Q. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.42 a-g / Community Facility 115.242 a-g Use of Screening Information 2-6., state,

2. "In deciding whether to assign a transgender or intersex inmate to a facility for male or female inmates, and in making other housing and programming assignments, NDCS shall consider on a case-by-case basis whether a placement would ensure the

inmates health and safety, and whether the placement would present management or security problems.

- 3. Placement and programming assignments for each transgender or intersex inmate shall be reassessed at least twice each year and shall consider any threats to safety experienced by the inmate. The PREA Compliance Manager will also complete an inperson assessment and submit a written report that will be maintained in the inmates file indicating a review was conducted.
- 4. A transgender or intersex inmate's own views with respect to the inmate's own safety shall be given serious consideration.
- 5. Transgender and intersex inmates shall be given the opportunity to shower separately from other inmates.
- 6. NDCS shall not place lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender or intersex inmates in dedicated facilities, units, or wings solely on the basis of such identification or status, unless such placement is in a dedicated facility, unit, or wing established in connection with a consent decree, legal settlement, or legal judgment for the purpose of protecting such inmates."

Through such reviews the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.43 Protective Custody

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

- 1. Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ
- 2. Nebraska Dept. Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, dated 7.31.2022
- 3. Nebraska Department of Correctional Services Memorandum, dated 8.24.2022,
- 4. Prison Rape Elimination Act Administrative regulation 203.11 Sexual Assault/ Abuse Training PowerPoint, not date
- 5. Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault Awareness Brochures in both English and Spanish, dated 2.2022

Interviews:

1. Unit Administrator / PREA Compliance Manager

Interviews with Unit Administrator demonstrated the facility has not utilized segregated housing in the past 12 months.

(a) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency has a policy prohibiting the placement of inmates at high risk for sexual victimization in involuntary segregated housing unless and an assessment of all available alternatives has been made and a determination has been made that there is not available alternative means of separation from likely abusers. The number of inmates at risk of sexual victimization who were held in involuntary segregated housing in the past 12 months for one to 24 hours awaiting completion of assessment is zero.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 15-16, section R. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.43 a-e Protective Custody 1., states, "Inmates at high risk for sexual victimization and those alleged to have suffered sexual abuse/assault shall not be placed in involuntary restrictive housing unless an assessment of all available alternatives has been conducted and a determination has been made there is no available alternative means of separation from likely abusers. (ACI-3D-13)

If unable to conduct this assessment immediately, the inmate may be held in involuntary restrictive housing (immediate segregation) for less than 24 hours while the assessment is completed." (b) Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 15-16, section R. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.43 a-e Protective Custody 2-3., states, 2. "Inmates who remain in restrictive housing for this purpose shall: a. Have access to programs, privileges, education and work opportunities to the extent possible. If this access is restricted the facility shall document: The opportunities that have been limited. 1. 2. The duration of the limitations. 3. The reasons for such limitations. Be assigned to involuntary restrictive housing only until an alternative means of separation from likely abusers can be arranged. Such an assignment shall not ordinarily exceed 30 days." 3. Staff shall document the basis of the facility's concern for the inmate's safety and the reason why no alternative means of separation can be arranged if the involuntary restrictive housing assignment is made following a determination that no alternative means of separation exists. Every 30 days, the facility shall afford each such inmate a review to determine whether there is a continuing need for separation from the general population. (c) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the number of inmates at risk of sexual victimization who were assigned to involuntary segregated housing in the past 12 months, for longer than 30 days while awaiting alternative placement was zero.

(d) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states from a review of case files of inmates at risk of sexual victimization who were held in involuntary segregated housing in the past 12 months, the number of case files that include BOTH (a) a statement of the basis for facilities concerns for the inmate's safety, and (b) the reason or reasons why alternative means of separation could not be arranged was zero.

The facility provided statement of reasons for protective custody which are documented on interoffice memorandums in PREA investigation and PREA Complaint documentation.

(e) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states if an involuntary segregated housing assignment is made, the facility affords each such inmate a review every 30 days to determine whether there is a continuing need for separation from the general population. Policy compliance can be found in provision (b) of this standard.

Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.51 Inmate reporting

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

- 1. Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ
- 2. Nebraska Dept. Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, dated 7.31.2022
- 3. Nebraska Department of Correctional Services Memorandum, dated 8.24.2022,
- 4. Prison Rape Elimination Act Administrative regulation 203.11 Sexual Assault/ Abuse Training PowerPoint, not date
- 5. Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault Awareness Brochures in both English and Spanish, dated 2.2022

Interviews:

- 1. Random Inmates
- 2. Targeted Inmates
- 3. Case Workers / Corporals
- 4. Warden Assistant

Interviews with inmates demonstrated all were aware they could submit allegations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment through a third party, anonymously, the grievance process, kites, verbally reporting to staff, inmate phones, inmate tablets or reporting to a third party. Inmates were able to articulate grievance boxes were in their units and either each had grievance forms in their cells, or they could ask a staff in their unit.

The interview with the Warden Assistant demonstrated mail is opened in front of inmates, checked for contraband and a form is completed documenting mail was delivered. The Warden Assistant stated mail is kept in the back copy room, where her office resides until mail can be delivered or sent out.

Site Observations:

During the tour and informal inmate interviews, inmates were able to demonstrate

how they could make hotline calls, tell as staff or a family member. During the tour the Auditor and the Captain / PREA Coordinator called the hotline number by following the directions posted near inmate phones, on an inmate phone. The call rang into the agency PREA Coordinator voicemail. The Auditor left a voicemail and the PREA Coordinator was able to demonstrate she received the call.

(a) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency has established procedures allowing for multiple internal ways for Inmates to report privately to agency officials about sexual harassment, abuse, retaliation and or any type of neglect.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 16, section S. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.51 a-d / Community Facility 115.251 a-d Inmate Reporting 1., states, "Inmates shall be provided with multiple ways to privately report sexual abuse/assault and sexual harassment, retaliation by other inmates or staff for reporting sexual abuse/assault and sexual harassment and staff neglect or violation of responsibilities that may have contributed to such incidents.

- a. Inmates may verbally report the incident to any staff member.
- b. Inmates may utilize the established hotline number (855-623-7360) to report an allegation anonymously. This number shall be included on all inmates Inmate Calling System (ICS) automatically. the number is a generic pin for all inmates 0-111-111-111 and speed dial 08#. These calls shall not be subject to monitoring. Upon receipt of a voice message, a system generated email is forwarded to the PREA Coordinator. See (Attachment C) for directions on dialing the PREA Hotline.
- c. Inmates may report the incident in writing through an Inmate Interview Request or Grievance form."

The facility provided Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault Awareness Brochures in both English and Spanish. Brochures include the following:

- The Department's Policy on Sexual Activity
- Staff-On-Inmate Sexual Behavior
- · Inmate-On-Inmate or Inmate-On-Staff Sexual Behavior
- If you are sexually assaulted
- Self Protection
- Nebraska State Statute

- PREA Hotline PIN 0-111-111-111 / speed dial 08#
- (b) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states facility provides at least one way for inmates to report abuse or harassment to a public or private entity or office that is not part of the agency. The agency does not have a policy requiring inmates detained solely for civil immigration purposes be provided information on how to contact relevant consular officials and relevant officials of the Department of Homeland Security. The PAQ states, "the inmate population could contact the Ombudsman's office if they chose too. the Ombudsman's office is set up as a speed dial on the inmates calling system." Policy compliance can be found in provision (a) of this standard.

The facility provided a Nebraska Department of Correctional Services Memorandum, RE: Reporting methods for inmates detained solely for immigration, from the agency PREA Coordinator to the PREA Auditor, stating the following. "The Nebraska Department of Correctional Services does not house or detain inmates solely for the purpose of civil immigration. All inmates are sentenced before placement in NDCS custody. NDCS does house county safe keepers that come from county jails they are placed in intake/reception due to the needs of a 90-day mental health evaluation or behavior concerns while in county custody."

(c) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency has a policy mandating that staff accept reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment made verbally, in writing, anonymously and from third parties. The agency has a policy mandating that staff accept reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment made verbally, in writing, anonymously and from third parties. The PAQ states staff are to document allegations received by the end of the shift.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 16, section S. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.51 a-d / Community Facility 115.251 a-d Inmate Reporting 2., states, "Third Party includes fellow inmates, staff members, family members, attorneys, and outside advocates, shall be permitted to assist inmates in filing requests for administrative remedies relating to allegations of sexual abuse/assault and sexual harassment and shall also be permitted to file such requests on behalf of the inmate. Options include, but are not limited to (This provision is also listed in PREA Standard secure facility 115.52 / 115.54 and community facility 115.252 / 115.254)

- a. Hotline number (855) 623-7360
- b. Submitting an online reporting form. Procedures for third party reporting can be found on the NDCS website.

c. PREA Hotline on the Inmate Calling System Generic Pin 0-111-111 speed dial 08#"

Page 17, section 3. Accepting Reports, states, "Staff will accept all reports made verbally, in writing, anonymously, from other inmates and from third parties outside NDCS. Verbal reports will be promptly documented."

(d) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency has established procedures for staff to privately report sexual abuse and sexual harassment of inmates. Staff are informed of these procedures in the following ways.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 17, section S. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.51 a-d / Community Facility 115.251 a-d Inmate Reporting 4. Staff Private Reporting, states, "Staff have the option of privately reporting sexual abuse/assault and sexual harassment of inmates and retaliation against inmates and staff by directly notifying the agency PREA Coordinator (402-479-5660) or utilizing the established hotline number (855-623-7360)."

Prison Rape Elimination Act Administrative regulation 203.11 Sexual Assault/Abuse Training PowerPoint, slide 26, states, "Report sexual assault, sexual abuse or sexual harassment immediately:

- Supervisor
- Facility PREA Compliance Manager
- · Warden
- PREA Coordinator (479-5660)
- Department Investigators
- · Privately via PREA reporting hotline (855-623-7360)

Staff will accept all reports

- Sexual assault, abuse, harassment
- Any Retaliation for reporting
- · Staff neglect or violation

Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.52 Exhaustion of administrative remedies

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

- 1. Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ
- 2. Nebraska Dept. Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, dated 7.31.2022
- 3. Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Inmate Grievance Procedures Policy 217.02, dated 12.31.2021

Interviews:

- 1. Random Inmates
- 2. Targeted Inmates

Interviews demonstrated inmates were aware of the grievance procedures and understood they could complete grievances as a reporting option. Inmates were able to articulate grievance boxes were in their units and forms are provided by unit staff upon request. Inmates stated they always have access to writing utensils to complete grievances.

Site Observation:

Grievance boxes were witnessed in each living unit and grievance forms were at staff desks.

(a) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency has an administrative procedure for dealing with Inmate grievances regarding sexual abuse.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 17-18, section T. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.52 a-g / Community Facility 115.252 a-g Exhaustion of Administrative Remedies, states, "Inmates will not be disciplined for filing a grievance related to alleged sexual abuse/assault or sexual harassment unless the facility demonstrates the grievance was deliberately filed in bad faith.

NDCS does not impose a time limit on when an inmate may submit a grievance regarding an allegation of sexual abuse/assault or sexual harassment. Applicable time limits to any portion of a grievance that does not allege an incident of sexual abuse/assault or sexual harassment will be followed per policy. An inmate is not required to use any informal grievance process (i.e., an inmate may submit a Step I Grievance without an Informal Grievance attached) or otherwise attempt to resolve an alleged incident of sexual abuse/assault or sexual harassment with staff.

An inmate who alleges sexual abuse/assault or sexual harassment may file a grievance without submitting it to a staff member who is the subject of the complaint. A grievance will not be referred to a staff member who is the subject of the complaint.

A final response to the grievance will be issued within 90 days of the initial filing. This does not include time consumed by inmates preparing an administrative appeal. An extension of up to 70 days may be requested if there is insufficient time to make an appropriate decision. Inmates will be notified in writing of the extension and be provided a date by which the decision will be made. If the inmate does not receive a response or notification of extension, he or she may consider the absence of a response to be a denial at that level.

An inmate may also file an emergency grievance if he or she feels there is a substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse/assault.

The emergency grievance will immediately be forwarded to the Shift Supervisor, who will take immediate corrective action. An initial response shall be provided within 48 hours and a final decision will be issued within five calendar days. The initial response and final decision will serve as documentation determining whether the inmate is at substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse/assault and the action taken in response to the emergency grievance.

Third Party Reporting

Third parties include fellow inmates, staff members, family members, attorneys, and outside advocates. Third parties shall be permitted to assist inmates in filing requests for administrative remedies relating to allegations of sexual abuse/assault or sexual harassment and shall also be permitted to file such requests on behalf of the inmate. (This provision is also listed in PREA Standard secure facility 115.51/ 115.54

community facility 115.251/115.254)."

- (b) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency policy or procedure allows an inmate to submit a grievance regarding an allegation of sexual abuse at any time, regardless of when the incident is alleged to have occurred. Policy compliance can be found in provision (a) of this standard.
- (c) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency's policy and procedure allows an inmate to submit a grievance alleging sexual abuse without submitting it to the staff member who is the subject of the complaint. The agency's policy and procedure require that an inmate grievance alleging sexual abuse not be referred to the staff member who is the subject of the complaint. Policy compliance can be found in provision (a) of this standard.
- (d) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency's policy and procedures that require a decision on the merits of any grievance or portion of a grievance alleging sexual abuse be made within 90 days of the filing of the grievance. In the past 12 months: there have been zero grievances filed alleging sexual abuse; In the past 12 months, the number of grievances alleging sexual abuse that reached final decision within 90 days after being filed was zero. Policy compliance can be found in provision (a) of this standard.
- (e) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states agency policy and procedure permit third parties, including fellow inmates, staff members, family members, attorneys, and outside advocates, to assist inmates in filing requests for administrative remedies relating to allegations of sexual abuse and to file such requests on behalf of inmates. Agency policy and procedure requires that if an inmate declines to have third-party assistance in filing a grievance alleging sexual abuse, the agency documents the inmate's decision to decline. The number of grievances alleging sexual abuse filed by inmates in the past 12 months in which the inmate declined third-party assistance, containing documentation of the inmate's decision to decline was zero. Policy compliance can be found in provision (a) of this standard.
- (f) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the facility has a policy and established procedures for filing an emergency grievance alleging that an inmate is subject to a substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse. The facilities policy and procedures for emergency grievances alleging substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse require an initial response within 48 hours. The facilities policy and procedure for emergency grievances alleging substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse require that a final agency decision be issued within five days. Zero grievances were received

alleging substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse which had an initial response within 48 hours. Policy compliance can be found in provision (a) of this standard.

(g) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the facility has a written policy that limits its ability to discipline an inmate for filing a grievance alleging sexual abuse to occasions where the agency demonstrates that the Inmate filed the grievance in bad faith. In the past 12 months, there have been zero grievances alleging sexual abuse to occasions where the agency demonstrated that the Inmate filed the grievance in bad faith. Policy compliance can be found in provision (a) of this standard.

115.53 Inmate access to outside confidential support services

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

- 1. Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ
- 2. Nebraska Dept. Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, dated 7.31.2022
- 3. Nebraska Department of Correctional Services Memorandum, RE: Standard 115.53 C-4 Advocacy Attempts, dated 11.22.2022
- 4. Nebraska Dept. of Correctional Services, Memorandum, RE: New PREA Advocacy Provider, dated 7.21.2021

Interviews:

- 1. Random Residents
- 2. Targeted Residents
- 3. Case Workers and Corporals
- 4. Mental Health PR actioner Supervisor
- 5. Administrative Program Officer I / PREA Compliance Manager

Staff and residents interviewed informally and formally were aware they would contact mental health services for advocate needs.

- (a) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the facility provides inmates with access to outside victim advocates for emotional support services related to sexual abuse by:
- · Giving inmates (by providing, posting, or otherwise making accessible) mailing addresses and telephone numbers (including toll-free hotline numbers where available) of local, State, or national victim advocacy or rape crisis organizations.
- Does not give inmates mailing addresses and telephone number (including toll-free hotline numbers where available) for immigrant services agencies for persons detained solely for civil immigration purposes; and
- Enables reasonable communication between inmates and these organizations, in as confidential manner as possible.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 18-19, section U. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.53 a-c / Community Facility 115.253 a-c Inmates Access to Outside Confidential Support Services, states, "NDCS shall maintain or attempt to enter into a memorandum of understanding or other agreements with community service providers that are able to provide inmates with confidential emotional support services related to sexual abuse. The agency shall maintain copies of agreements or documentation showing attempts to enter into such agreement.

In the event that a victim advocate is needed for an incident of Sexual Assault, the facility shall make available or attempt to make available to the victim a victim advocate from a rape crisis center. If a victim advocate from a rape crisis center is not available to provide victim advocate services, the facility shall make available a qualified staff member from a community-based organization or qualified agency staff member. This person shall be an individual who has been screened for appropriateness to serve in this role and has received education concerning sexual assault and forensic examination issues in general. The facility will document efforts to secure services from rape crisis centers on the Facility Checklist for Incidents of Sexual Assault/Abuse (Attachment E). As requested by the victim, the victim advocate, qualified agency staff member or qualified community-based organization staff member shall accompany and support the victim through the forensic examination process and investigatory interviews and shall provide emotional support, crisis intervention, information and referrals.

If requested by the victim, he or she will be allowed to contact his or her emergency contact or an immediate family member via a staff assisted telephone call. The staff assisted call shall be no longer than 15 minutes in duration. Staff will document the call, or attempted call, on an Incident Report."

(b) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the facility informs Inmates, prior to giving them access to outside support services, the extent to which such communications will be monitored. The facility informs inmates, prior to giving them access to outside support services, of the mandatory reporting rules governing privacy, confidentiality, and/or privilege that apply for disclosures of sexual abuse made to outside victim advocates, including any limits to confidentiality under relevant Federal, State, or local law.

During the pre-audit phase the Auditor inquired as to policy language for this provision. The PREA Coordinator stated, "So this is not in policy I do a memo when we

get advocacy that goes out to the population, I have attached that memo. May need to include this in policy when it is up for review."

The sample memorandum states, "Effective immediately, the Women's Center for Advancement will be providing a hotline service for victims (regardless of gender or sexual orientation) of Sexual Assault, Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment. This Hotline will be provided 24 hours a day 7 days a week. All calls to the Women's Center for Advancement are confidential and are not recorded. This service allows you to talk to an advocate on the phone for emotional support, information on how to report incidents of Sexual assault, sexual abuse and sexual harassment and provide coping skills.

The Women's Center for Advancement's hotline number:

generic pin 0-333-333-333

speed dial 07#.

The Women's Center for Advancement will also provide in-person advocacy visits and in-person advocacy care during a forensic examination.

You can also contact an advocate by mail, correspondence may be sent to the following address:

Women's Center for Advancement

3801 Harney Street

Omaha Nebraska 68131"

(c) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the facility maintains memoranda of understanding with community service providers that are able to provide inmates with emotional support services related to sexual abuse.

The facility provided a Nebraska Department of Correctional Services Memorandum, RD: Standard 115.53 C-4 Advocacy Attempts from the agency PREA Coordinator to the PREA Auditor, stating, "On July 8th, 2022, NDCS signed a Memorandum of understanding with the Women's Center for Advancement. On February 10, 2022,

NDCS received a letter from the Women's Center for Advancement. Stating WCA is terminating the MOU effective March 22, 2022.

- On March 29, 2022, The NDCS Captain / PREA Coordinator reached out to bridge from violence to attempt to enter into an MOU for advocacy care.
- On July 16, 2022, The NDCS Captain / PREA Coordinator reached out to YWCA to attempt to enter into an MOU for advocacy care.
- On September 28, 2022, The NDCS Captain / PREA Coordinator reached out to The Trevor Project to attempt to enter into an MOU for advocacy care.
- On September 28, 2022, The NDCS Captain / PREA Coordinator reached out to encourage advocacy to attempt to enter into an MOU for advocacy care.
- o Encourage was interested had a zoom meeting on October 28, 2022
- o Sent MOU example on 11-8-2022"

115.54 Third-party reporting Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard **Auditor Discussion Document Review:** Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ Nebraska Dept. Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, dated 7.31.2022 Interviews: 1. Random Inmates 2. Targeted Inmates 3. Case Workers / Corporals 4. Specialized staff 5. Unit Administrator / PREA Compliance Manager Inmates and staff interviewed demonstrated their reporting knowledge of third-party reporting stating that inmate family members, friends and or legal counsel could report sexual harassment or sexual abuse allegations. Site Observation: During tour of the visitation area, third party reporting information was posted. (a) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the facility provides a method to receive third-party reports of inmate sexual abuse or sexual harassment. The agency publicly distributes information on how to report Inmate sexual abuse or sexual harassment on behalf of Inmates. The PAQ states, "https://corrections.nebraska.gov/about/prison-rape-elimination-act-0 and

https://corrections.nebraska.gov/about/prison-rape-elimination-act/ndcs-prea-reporting-form"

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 17, section 2. Third Party Reporting, states, "Third parties include fellow

inmates, staff members, family members, attorneys, and outside advocates. Third parties shall be permitted to assist inmates in filing requests for administrative remedies relating to allegations of sexual abuse/assault or sexual harassment and shall also be permitted to file such requests on behalf of the inmate. (This provision is also listed in PREA Standard secure facility 115.51/ 115.54 community facility 115.251/115.254)."

- a. Hotline number (855) 623-7360
- b. Submitting an online reporting form. Procedures for third party reporting can be found on the NDCS website.
- c. PREA Hotline on the Inmate Calling System Generic Pin 0-111-111-111 speed dial 08#."

On 1.6.2023, at 6:09 pm, this Auditor sent the following email to NDCS PREA Reporting Form | NDCS - Nebraska Department of Correctional Services to test the third-party reporting option to inmates, family and staff members. "My name is Karen Murray, and I am scheduled to audit the Reception and Treatment Center and am testing the third-party reporting system. Could you be so kind as to respond to this email with how you would proceed when you receive a third party PREA report."

On 1.6.2023 at 10:17 pm, the Auditor received the following response from the Agency Captain / PREA Coordinator, stating, "In response to this email I would report the incident to the facility compliance manager to do follow up on what was reported, and then based off the victims interview I would reach out to the facility warden to determine the next steps to be completed."

115.61 Staff and agency reporting duties

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

- 1. Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ
- 2. Nebraska Dept. Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, dated 7.31.2022

Interviews:

- 1. Random Inmates
- 2. Targeted Inmates
- 3. Case Workers / Corporals
- 4. Specialized Staff
- 5. Unit Administrator / PREA Compliance Manager
- 6. Captain / PREA Coordinator

Interviews with the facility staff and inmates demonstrated each actively practices and understood the importance of immediately reporting all allegations of sexual harassment and sexual abuse.

Site Observations:

Staff reporting documentation of inmate information, incident reports and investigations being completed in the facility database demonstrated reports of allegation are addressed timely. The facility has not experienced a sexual harassment or sexual abuse allegation in the past 12 months.

(a/d-e) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency requires all staff to report immediately and according to agency policy any knowledge, suspicion, or information they receive regarding an incident of sexual abuse or sexual harassment that occurred in a facility, whether or not it is part of the agency. The agency requires all staff to report immediately and according to agency policy any retaliation against Inmates or staff who reported such an incident. The agency requires all staff to report immediately and according to agency policy any staff neglect or violation of responsibilities that may have contributed to an incident or

retaliation.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 19, section W. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.61 a-f / Community Facility 115.261 a-f Staff and Agency Reporting Duties, 1-3, states, "All NDCS staff are required to report immediately and according to policy any knowledge, suspicion or information regarding:

- 1. An incident of sexual abuse/assault or sexual harassment that occurred in a facility, whether or not it is part of the agency.
- 2. Retaliation against inmates or staff who reported such an incident.
- 3. Any staff neglect or violation of responsibilities that may have contributed to an incident or retaliation.

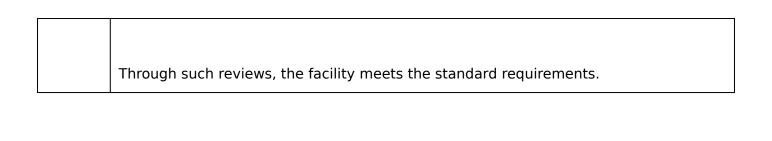
Medical and mental health staff are obligated to report sexual abuse/assault and inform inmates of their duty to report and the limitations of confidentiality at the initiation of services.

If the alleged victim is under 18 years old or considered a vulnerable adult, the allegations will be reported to the Department of Health and Human Services under applicable mandatory reporting laws."

(b) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states apart from reporting to designated supervisors or official and designated state or local service agencies, agency policy prohibits staff from revealing any information related to a sexual abuse report to anyone other than to the extent necessary to make treatment, investigation, and other security and management decisions.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 20, first paragraph, states, "Staff shall not reveal any information related to a sexual abuse/assault report to anyone other than to the extent necessary as specified in NDCS policy, to make treatment, investigations, and other security decisions."

(c) Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 19, last paragraph, states, "Medical and mental health staff are obligated to report sexual abuse/assault and inform inmates of their duty to report and the limitations of confidentiality at the initiation of services."



115.62 Agency protection duties

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

- 1. Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ
- 2. Nebraska Dept. Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, dated 7.31.2022

Interviews:

- 1. Case Workers / Corporals
- 2. Specialized Staff
- 3. Unit Administrator / PREA Compliance Manager
- 4. Lieutenant / Investigator
- 5. Criminal Investigator

Interviews with the random and specialized staff demonstrated facility staff act promptly and responds properly at the discovery of any incident involving sexual harassment and sexual abuse.

(a) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states when the agency or facility learns that an inmate is subject to a substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse, it takes immediate action to protect the Inmate. In the past 12 months, the facility reports zero inmates was subject to substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse. Upon discovery of Inmate being subject to substantial risk, the facility immediately separates the victim from the perpetrator, made notification and completed incident reporting requirements.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11. page 20, section X. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.62 a / Community Facility 115.262 a. Agency Protection Duties, states, "When NDCS learns that an inmate is subject to a substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse/assault, it shall take immediate action to protect them. To assess and implement appropriate protective measures without unreasonable delay."

115.63 Reporting to other confinement facilities

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

- 1. Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ
- 2. Nebraska Dept. Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, dated 7.31.2022

Interviews:

1. Warden

The interview with the Warden demonstrated that she was aware that upon receiving an allegation that an inmate was sexually abused while confined at another facility, she had the responsibility to notify the head of the facility where the allegation occurred within 72 hours. The Warden stated she would begin an internal investigation and keep in contact with the facility in question until the investigation was completed.

Site Observation:

The facility had zero reported allegations of sexual abuse while the inmate was confined at another facility. The facility provided the notification to the receiving agency.

(a) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency has a policy requiring that, upon receiving an allegation that an inmate was sexually abused while confined at another facility, the head of the facility must notify the head of the facility or appropriate office of the agency or facility where sexual abuse is alleged to have occurred. The agency's policy also requires that the head of the facility notify the appropriate investigative agency. In the past 12 months, the facility has received zero allegations that an inmate was abused while in confinement at another facility.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 20, section Y. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.63 a-d / Community Facility 115.263 a-d Reporting to Other Confinement Facilities, states, "Within 72 hours of receipt of an allegation an inmate was sexually abused while confined at another facility, the receiving Warden/designee shall notify the Warden/designee where the

incident was alleged to have occurred and the agency PREA Coordinator. Such notification shall be documented. The agency PREA Coordinator will ensure an investigation is completed according to policy."

- (b) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states agency policy requires that the facility head provides such notification as soon as possible, but no later than 72 hours after receiving the allegation. Policy compliance can be found in provision (a) of this standard.
- (c) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the facility documents that it has provided such notification within 72 hours of receiving the allegation. Policy compliance can be found in provision (a) of this standard.
- (d) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states facility policy requires that allegations received from other agencies or facilities investigated in accordance with the PREA standards. In the last 12 months, there have been zero allegations of sexual abuse the facility received from other facilities. Policy compliance can be found in provision (a) of this standard.

115.64 Staff first responder duties

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

- 1. Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ
- 2. Nebraska Dept. Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, dated 7.31.2022

Interviews:

- 1. Case Workers / Corporals
- 2. Specialized staff
- 3. Unit Administrator / PREA Compliance Manager

Informal and formal interviews with staff demonstrated each were aware of their first responder responsibilities. Staff stated reporting information is posted throughout the facility and their training included first responder duties. Staff also stated they would have one staff preserve the area where the incident was alleged to have occurred while the victim and suspect were being separated and preserved by themselves or another officer. Each staff interviewed stated they would make proper notifications to supervisory staff and complete an incident report documenting details of any incident or reported allegation.

Site Observation:

The facility has not experienced a sexual harassment or sexual abuse allegation in the past 12 months.

(a) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency has a first responder policy for allegations of sexual abuse. The policy requires that, upon learning of an allegation that an inmate was sexually abused, the first security staff member to respond to the report shall be required to separate, preserve, protect, collect physical evidence, request that the alleged victim not take any actions that could destroy physical evidence, including, as appropriate, washing, brushing teeth, changing clothes, urinating, defecating, smoking, drinking, or eating. If the abuse occurred within a time period that still allows for the collection of physical evidence, ensure that the alleged abuser does not take any actions that could destroy physical evidence, including, as appropriate, washing, brushing teeth, changing clothes,

urinating, defecating, smoking, drinking, or eating. In the past 12 months, zero allegations occurred where an inmate was sexually abused.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 20, section Z. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.64 / Community Facility 115.264 Staff First Responder Duties, 1.a. states, "Upon learning of an allegation an inmate was sexually assaulted, the first security staff member (team members primarily responsible for the supervision and control of inmates, including but not limited to custody, housing unit, mental health, Activities and Recreation (A & R), maintenance, teachers, etc.) to respond to the report shall be required to:

- 1. Separate the victim and abuser; and ensure that the victim is safe.
- 2. Preserve and protect any crime scene until appropriate steps can be taken to collect any evidence.
- 3. Security staff and non-security staff that respond to an incident will request the alleged victim and ensure the alleged abuser not take any actions that could destroy physical evidence, including, as appropriate, washing/showering, brushing teeth, changing clothes, urinating, defecating, smoking, drinking or eating if the abuse occurred within a time period that allows for evidence collection (120 hours); and notify the Shift Supervisor."
- (b) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the facility's' policy requires that if the first staff responder is not a security staff member, that responder shall be required to request that the alleged victim not take any actions that could destroy physical evidence and notify security staff. Of the allegations that an inmate was sexually abused made in the past 12 months, the number of times a non-security staff member was the first responder was zero. Policy compliance can be found in provision (a) of this standard.

115.65 Coordinated response Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard **Auditor Discussion Document Review:** Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ Nebraska Dept. Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, dated 7.31.2022 Facility Checklist for Incidents of Sexual Assault, Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment, not dated Interviews: Case Workers / Corporals 2. Specialized staff 3. Unit Administrator / PREA Compliance Manager Interviews with staff demonstrated the Supervisor brings an incident checklist to ensure all steps of reported allegations are competed. Interviews with the Unit Administrator / PREA Compliance Manager demonstrated the response to allegations of sexual assault is written to coordinate actions taken in response to sexual abuse and sexual harassment incidents. Site Observation: Review of the Facility Checklist for Incidents demonstrates clear direction to staff to ensure first responder duties are fulfilled. (a) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the facility developed a written institutional plan to coordinate actions taken in response to an incident of sexual abuse among staff first responders, medical and mental health practitioners, investigators, and facility leadership.

The facility provided a Facility Checklist for Incidents of Sexual Assault, Sexual Abuse

and Sexual Harassment. The checklist guides staff to complete the following.

- · Facility Incident Occurred
- · Date reported / Time reported
- · Date of incident / Time of incident
- · First staff on Scene (with title)
- Means of Discovery/Reporting
- · Alleged Victim Name/Number
- · Alleged Perpetrator Name/Number
- · Witnesses of the Incident Name/Number
- Steps to insure a coordinated response for Sexual Assault, Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment
- Alleged victim separated from alleged abuser
- · Crime scene preserved ad protected if applicable
- · If Incident is Sexual Assault (steps included in form)
- · Always ensure the following is completed (steps included in form)
- Notifications / contacts made * is for Sexual Assault only
- o Medical
- Mental Health staff
- o Oncoming Shift Supervisor
- o Warden informed by phone*
- o Facility PREA Compliance Manager informed by phone*
- o Department PREA Coordinator informed by phone*
- o Department Investigation/State Patrol*
- o Facility PREA Compliance Manager reviewed incident packet

115.66

Preservation of ability to protect inmates from contact with abusers

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

- 1. Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ
- 2. The State of Nebraska and the Teachers Bargaining Unit, dated 7.1.2021 6.30.2023
- 3. The Nebraska Association of Public Employees Local 61 of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, dated 7.1.2021 6.30.2023
- 4. The State of Nebraska and Protective Services, dated 7.1.2021 6.30.2023
- (a) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency, facility, or any other governmental entity responsible for collective bargaining on the agency's behalf has entered into or renewed any collective bargaining agreement or other agreement since August 20, 2012, or since the last PREA audit, whichever is later.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 22, section BB. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.66 a-b / Community Facility 115.266 a-b Preservation of Ability to Protect Inmates from Contact with Abusers, states, "NDCS shall not enter into any collective bargaining agreement or other agreement that limits the agency's ability to remove alleged staff sexual abusers from contact with any inmates pending the outcome of an investigation or of a determination of whether and to what extent discipline is warranted. NDCS is not restricted from entering into or renewing agreements that govern the conduct of the disciplinary process or whether a no-contact assignment imposed pending the outcome of an investigation shall be expunged from or retained in the staff member's personnel file following a determination the allegation of sexual abuse/assault is not substantiated."

The facility is currently entered into one collective bargaining agreement. The agreements include the following:

• The State of Nebraska and Protective Services, represented by Fraternal Order of Police, Nebraska Protective Services, Lodge 88 (FOP 88)

115.67 Agency protection against retaliation

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

- 1. Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ
- 2. Nebraska Dept. Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, dated 7.31.2022

Interviews:

1. Unit Administrator / PREA Compliance Manager

Interviews Unit Administrator / PREA Compliance Manager demonstrated that she would complete retaliation monitoring. Retaliation would be completed by checking in with inmates upon receipt of the allegation, every two weeks thereafter and documenting those check-ins for at least 90 days and or as long as may be necessary. The Unit Administrator stated in an effort to ensure retaliation was not occurring she would ensure the inmate was aware he could report to her at any time, look at job movements, housing moves, misconduct and incident reports.

Onsite Observation:

The facility has not experienced a sexual abuse allegation or the need for retaliation monitoring in the past 12 months.

(a-b) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency has a policy to protect all Inmates and staff who report sexual abuse or sexual harassment or cooperate with sexual abuse or sexual harassment investigations from retaliation by other Inmates or staff. The facility designates the Unit Administrator for residents and the agency PREA Coordinator for staff, with monitoring for possible retaliation.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 22-23, section CC. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.67 a-f / Community Facility 115.267 a-f Agency Protection against Retaliation, state,

1. "NDCS has an obligation to protect all inmates and staff who report sexual abuse/ assault or sexual harassment or cooperate with sexual abuse/assault or sexual harassment investigations from retaliation by other inmates or staff. Examples of acts of retaliation include, but are not limited to, unnecessary discipline, intimidation,

unnecessary changes in work or program assignments, unjustified transfers or placements and unjustified denials of privileges or services. The facility PREA Compliance Manager is responsible for monitoring retaliation against inmates, the PREA Coordinator is responsible for monitoring retaliation against staff. Staff who believe they have been subject to retaliation should contact the PREA Coordinator in order to initiate retaliation tracking.

- 2. Once the PREA Compliance Manager is made aware of an open investigation, the manager shall meet with the victim and begin retaliation tracking. Facilities shall employ multiple protection measures, such as housing changes or transfers for inmate victims or abusers, removal of alleged staff or inmate abusers from contact with victims and emotional support services for inmates or staff who fear retaliation for reporting sexual abuse/assault or sexual harassment or for cooperating with investigations. Monitoring of inmates will include status checks."
- (c) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the facility monitors the conduct or treatment of Inmates or staff who reported sexual abuse and of Inmates who were reported to have suffered sexual abuse to ascertain if there are any changes that may suggest possible retaliation by Inmates or staff. The facility will monitor conduct or treatment until the Inmate is discharged. The facility acts promptly to remedy any such retaliation. In the past 12 months, the facility has had zero incidents of retaliation.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 22-23, section CC. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.67 a-f / Community Facility 115.267 a-f Agency Protection against Retaliation, 3. a-b., states, "The conduct and treatment of inmates or staff who report sexual abuse/assault and of inmates who were reported to have suffered sexual abuse shall be monitored for at least 90 days to determine if there are changes that may suggest possible retaliation by inmates or staff. Immediate action will be taken to remedy any retaliation. The facility will continue monitoring beyond 90 days if the initial monitoring indicates a continuing need.

- a. Items that should be monitored include any inmate disciplinary reports, housing or program changes or negative performance reviews or reassignments of staff.
- b. The facility PREA Compliance Manager or PREA Coordinator will make periodic status checks to determine if retaliation is being perpetrated against or perceived by inmates or staff. With the approval of the Warden, the PREA Compliance Manager may designate up to three management positions (Unit Manager, Lieutenant or above) to assist with retaliation monitoring. Allegations or indications of retaliation will be reviewed and documented. Appropriate action will be taken in the event of confirmed retaliation against inmates or staff."

- (d) Policy compliance is found in provision (a) of this standard.
- (e) Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 22-23, section CC. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.67 a-f / Community Facility 115.267 a-f Agency Protection against Retaliation, 4., states, "If any other individual who cooperates with an investigation expresses a fear of retaliation, appropriate measures shall be taken to protect that individual."

115.68 Post-allegation protective custody Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard **Auditor Discussion Document Review:** Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ 1. Nebraska Dept. Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, dated 7.31.2022 Interviews: Unit Administrator / PREA Compliance Manager The interview with the Unit Administrator demonstrated the facility had not utilized protective custody in the past 12 months. (a) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency has a policy prohibiting the placement of inmates who allege to have suffered sexual abuse in involuntary segregated housing unless an assessment of all available alternatives has been made and a determination has been made that there is no available alternative means of separation from likely abusers. The number of inmates who allege to have suffered sexual abuse who were held in involuntary segregated housing in the past 12 months for one to 24 hours awaiting completion of assessment was zero. Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 23, section DD. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.68 a / Community Facility 115.268 a Post-Allegation Protective Custody, states, "Any use of segregation housing to protect an inmate who is alleged to have suffered sexual abuse is subject to the requirements of PREA standard 115.43."

115.71 Criminal and administrative agency investigations

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

- 1. Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ
- 2. Nebraska Dept. Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, dated 7.31.2022

Interviews:

- 1. Lieutenant / Administrative Investigator
- 2. Criminal Investigator

Interviews with the agency and facility investigators demonstrated each had completed specialized investigator training through the agency investigator training. Investigators clearly articulated processes required during an investigation, to include interviewing all individuals involved and those who witnessed the allegation, review of physical and video evidence and each completed an in-depth investigative report.

Site Observation:

The facility has not experienced a sexual harassment or sexual abuse allegation in the past 12 months.

(a) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency/facility has a policy related to criminal and administrative agency investigations.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 23-24, section EE. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.71 a-I / Community Facility 115.271 a-I Criminal and Administrative Agency Investigations, 1., states, "NDCS shall ensure that an administrative or criminal investigation is completed for all allegations of sexual abuse/assault and sexual harassment, including third party and anonymous reports, in a prompt, thorough and objective manner. Any outside entities responsible for conducting administrative or criminal investigations of sexual abuse/assault shall have in place a policy governing the conduct of such investigations that complies with PREA standards and shall provide training pertaining to the investigation of sexual abuse/assault in confinement settings to the agents and investigators who conduct such investigations. When outside agencies investigate sexual abuse/assault, NDCS

shall cooperate with outside investigators and endeavor to remain informed about the progress of the investigation. (ACI-3D-11)

1. "Upon receipt of an allegation for sexual assault, sexual abuse or sexual harassment the PREA Coordinator will review the report (s) of the allegation and discuss the incident with the facility warden to determine if an investigation is warranted.

If the allegation is determined to be opened for investigation the PREA Coordinator will assign the investigation a case number in the Investigator's Case Management Database and forward the case log and initial reports to the PREA Compliance Manager at the respective facility to be assigned to a PREA investigator.

When the PREA Coordinator reviews the allegation and discusses the incident with the facility Warden and it is determined an investigation is not warranted, the PREA Coordinator will process the information into the Investigator's Case Management Data Base and route through administration for review and comment."

- (b) Policy compliance can be found in §115.334, regarding where sexual abuse is alleged, the agency shall use investigators who have received special training in sexual abuse investigations involving juvenile victims pursuant to § 115.334.
- (c) Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 23-24, section EE. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.71 a-l/ Community Facility 115.271 a-l Criminal and Administrative Agency Investigations, 3., states, "If the allegation appears to be criminal in nature the PREA Coordinator will consult with the Investigation Coordinator for assignment to NDCS Criminal investigators and or the Nebraska State Patrol. Where sexual assault or sexual abuse is alleged by a Team Member refer to policy 215.01. If referred back to the facility to investigate, investigators who have received special training in sexual assault and abuse investigations will be utilized, the PREA Coordinator will notify the facility PREA Compliance Manager and assign the investigation a case number in the Investigator's Case Management Data Base. The case number will be given to the facility PREA Compliance Manager so he or she can keep track of the investigation. The PREA Compliance manager will meet with the victim and inform them of the open investigation and if the staff member or inmate has been reassigned to a different unit. Once completed, the investigation will be sent to the PREA Coordinator for review and appropriate action. If during the institutional investigation it is determined a crime has been committed, the investigation will stop the investigation and contact the PREA Coordinator, and the Investigation Coordinator will be immediately notified."

- (d) Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 24-25, section EE. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.71 a-I / Community Facility 115.271 a-I Criminal and Administrative Agency Investigations, 3. b., states, "When the quality of evidence appears to support criminal prosecution, compelled interviews will only be conducted after consulting with prosecutors as to whether the compelled interview may be an obstacle for subsequent criminal prosecution."
- (e) Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 25, section EE. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.71 a-I / Community Facility 115.271 a-I Criminal and Administrative Agency Investigations, 4., states, "The credibility of an alleged victim, suspect or witness shall be assessed on an individual basis and shall not be determined by the person's status as inmate or staff. Inmates who allege sexual abuse/assault will not be submitted to a polygraph examination or other truth-telling device as a condition for proceeding with the investigation."
- (f) Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 25, section EE. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.71 a-l / Community Facility 115.271 a-l Criminal and Administrative Agency Investigations, 5., states, "Administrative Investigations shall:
- a. Include an effort to determine whether staff actions or failures to act contributed to the abuse.
- b. Be documented in written reports that include a description of the physical and testimonial evidence, the reasoning behind credibility assessments and investigative facts and findings.
- c. Impose no standard higher than a preponderance of the evidence in determining whether allegations of sexual abuse/assault or sexual harassment are substantiated."
- (g) Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 25, section EE. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.71 a-l / Community Facility 115.271 a-l Criminal and Administrative Agency Investigations, 6., states, "Criminal investigations shall be documented in a written report that contains a thorough description of physical, testimonial and documentary evidence and attached copies of all documentary evidence where feasible."
- (h) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states substantiated allegations of conduct that appear to be criminal are referred for prosecution. The number of substantiated allegations of conduct that appear to be criminal that were referred for

prosecution since August 20, 2012, or since the last PREA audit, whichever is later is zero.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 24, section EE. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.71 a-I / Community Facility 115.271 a-I Criminal and Administrative Agency Investigations, 2., states, "If the allegation appears to be criminal in nature the PREA Coordinator will consult with the Investigation Coordinator for assignment to NDCS Criminal investigators and or the Nebraska State Patrol. Where sexual assault or sexual abuse is alleged by a Team Member refer to policy 215.01. If referred back to the facility to investigate, investigators who have received special training in sexual assault and abuse investigations will be utilized. the PREA Coordinator will notify the facility PREA Compliance Manager and assign the investigation a case number in the Investigator's Case Management Data Base. The case number will be given to the facility PREA Compliance Manager so he or she can keep track of the investigation. The PREA Compliance manager will meet with the victim and inform them of the open investigation and if the staff member or inmate has been reassigned to a different unit. Once completed, the investigation will be sent to the PREA Coordinator for review and appropriate action. If during the institutional investigation it is determined a crime has been committed, the investigation will stop the investigation and contact the PREA Coordinator, and the Investigation Coordinator will be immediately notified."

(i) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency retains all written reports pertaining to administrative or criminal investigation of alleged sexual abuse or sexual harassment for as long as the alleged abuser is incarcerated or employed by the agency, plus five years.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 31, section OO. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.97 a-f / Community Confinement Facility 115.87 a-f Data Collection, 4. Maintenance of Records, states, "The case records involving allegations of sexual harassment, sexual abuse or sexual assault of inmates and the subsequent investigations and outcomes will be kept by the PREA Coordinator. Written reports regarding criminal and administrative investigations will be retained for as long as the alleged abuser is incarcerated or employed by NDCS, plus five years. The required information will be kept in the Investigator's Case Management Data Base as well as a hard copy in the PREA Coordinator's office. Each case shall be identified as one of the following PREA categories:

- 1. Staff on inmate sexual assault
- 2. Staff on inmate sexual abuse

- Staff on inmate exhibitionism
- 4. Staff on inmate voyeurism
- 5. Staff on inmate sexual harassment
- 6. Inmate on inmate sexual assault
- 7. Inmate on inmate sexual abuse
- 8. Inmate on inmate sexual harassment"
- (j) Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 24, section EE. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.71 a-l / Community Facility 115.271 a-l Criminal and Administrative Agency Investigations, 7., states, "The departure of the alleged abuser or victim from the employment or control of the facility shall not provide a basis for terminating an investigation."
- (I) Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 24, section EE. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.71 a-I / Community Facility 115.271 a-I Criminal and Administrative Agency Investigations, 8., states, "An administrative investigation assigned to a NDCS Investigator at the facility level will be submitted to the agency PREA Coordinator within 30 working days of the date of assignment. (the date the report is logged in the Investigator's Case Management Data Base and assigned an investigative case number) based on the evidence available and the possibility of obtaining additional evidence or information. A Criminal investigation assigned to an agency Criminal Investigator will submit their report to the Investigation Coordinator upon completion. The Investigation Coordinator will consult with the PREA Coordinator upon findings.
- a. NDCS investigator at the facility level that is not completed within 30 days will request an extension prior to the 30 day deadline. The facility Warden be advised of the request for an extension from a NDCS Investigator prior to approval of the extension. The PREA Coordinator must be notified of the extension once the extension is approved. When an extension is requested the granting authority will ensure that the investigation is proceeding in an appropriate direction, the information is gathered in a timely manner and all avenues are available to the investigator."

115.72 Evidentiary standard for administrative investigations Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

- 1. Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ
- 2. Nebraska Dept. Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, dated 7.31.2022

Interviews:

- 1. Lieutenant / Administrative Investigator
- 2. Criminal Investigator

The interview with investigators demonstrated the facility shall impose no standard higher than a preponderance of the evidence in determining whether allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment are substantiated.

(a) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency imposes a standard of a preponderance of the evidence or a lower standard of proof for determining whether allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment are substantiated.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 26, section FF. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.72 a / Community Facility 115.222 a. Evidentiary Standard for Administrative Investigation, states, "NDCS shall impose no standard higher than a preponderance of the evidence in determining whether allegations of sexual abuse/assault or sexual harassment are substantiated."

115.73 Reporting to inmates

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

- 1. Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ
- 2. Nebraska Dept. Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, dated 7.31.2022
- 3. NDCS/PREA Post Investigation Inmate Notification (115.73), not dated

Interviews:

1. Unit Administrator / PREA Compliance Manager

The interview with the Unit Administrator / PREA Compliance Manager demonstrated she notifies victims of sexual abuse and sexual harassment verbally and in writing. Documentation of notifications would be documented on hard copy notification forms.

Site Observation:

The facility has not experienced a sexual harassment or sexual abuse allegation in the past 12 months.

(a) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency has a policy requiring that any inmate who makes an allegation that he or she suffered sexual abuse in an agency facility is informed, verbally or in writing, as to whether the allegation has been determined to be substantiated, unsubstantiated, or unfounded following an investigation by the agency. The number of criminal and/or administrative investigations of alleged inmate sexual abuse that were completed by the agency/facility in the past 12 months was zero.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 26, section GG. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.73 a-f / Community Facility 115.273 a-f Reporting to Inmates, 1. Reporting to Inmates, states, "Following an investigation into an inmate's allegation that he or she suffered sexual abuse/assault or harassment, the inmate shall be informed as to whether the allegation has been

determined to be substantiated, unsubstantiated or unfounded. If NDCS did not conduct the investigation it shall request the relevant information from the Nebraska State Patrol in order to inform the inmate. All notifications or attempts shall be made by the facility PREA Compliance Manager or designee and documented. The obligation to report is terminated if the inmate is released from NDCS custody."

- (b) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states If an outside entity conducts such investigations, the agency requests the relevant information from the investigative entity in order to inform the Inmate as to the outcome of the investigation. In the past 12 months, there has been zero investigations of alleged inmate sexual abuse. Policy compliance can be found in provision (a) of this standard.
- (c) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states following an inmate's allegation that a staff member has committed sexual abuse against the inmate, the agency/facility subsequently does inform the Inmate (unless the agency has determined that the allegation is unfounded) whenever:
- The staff member is no longer posted within the Inmate's unit;
- The staff member is no longer employed at the facility;
- The agency learns that the staff member has been indicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility; or
- The agency learns that the staff member has been convicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility."

There has not been a substantiated or unsubstantiated complaint of sexual abuse committed by staff against an inmate in the last 12 months.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 26, section GG. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.73 a-f / Community Facility 115.273 a-f Reporting to Inmates, 2. Inmate Allegation against a Team Member, states, "Upon completion of the investigation (including the final review) of an inmate's allegation that a staff member has committed sexual abuse/assault against the inmate (unless it is determined the allegation was unfounded), he or she will be informed whenever:

- a. The team member is no longer posted within the inmate's unit.
- b. The team member is no longer employed at the facility.
- c. It is learned the team member has been indicted on a charge related to sexual

abuse/assault within the facility.

d. It is learned the team member has been convicted on a charge related to sexual abuse/assault within the facility."

The facility provided a NDCS / PREA Post Investigation Resident Notification. This notification documents the following:

- Recipient of Notice/Date of Notification
- Nature of Allegation
- · Allegation Category
- Did the victim receive written/verbal/Notice of Investigation?
- \cdot $\,$ Did investigation include outside agency? If yes, Name of Agency and date notified
- Date Investigation began and concluded
- · Finding of investigation
- o Case open with State Patrol
- o Substantiated allegation was investigated and determined to have occurred
- o Unfounded allegation was investigated and determined not have occurred
- o Unsubstantiated allegation was investigated, and the investigation produced insufficient evidence to make a final determination as to whether or not the event occurred
- Sanction Imposed unless unfounded

Date Inmate Notified

- o Staff Suspect removed from Inmates unit
- o Inmate suspect separated from the victim
- o Staff Suspect no longer employed Suspect (staff or Inmate) indicted
- o Suspect (staff or Inmate) convicted
- · Inmate Signature/Inmate #/Date/Time
- PREA Compliance Manager signature/Date/Time
- Facility Warden signature/Date/Time
- PREA Coordinator signature/Date/Time

(d) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states following an inmate's allegation that he or she has been sexually abused by another Inmate in an agency facility, the agency subsequently informs the alleged victim whenever: the agency learns that the alleged abuser has been indicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility; or the agency learns that the alleged abuser has been convicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 27, section GG. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.73 a-f / Community Facility 115.273 a-f Reporting to Inmates, 3. Inmate Allegation against another Inmate, states, "Upon completion of the investigation (including the final review) of an inmate's allegation that another inmate has committed sexual abuse/assault against the inmate, he or she will be informed whenever:

- a. It is learned the alleged abuser has been indicted on a charge related to sexual abuse/assault within the facility.
- b. It is learned the alleged abuser has been convicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility."
- (e) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency has a policy that all notifications to inmates described under this standard are documented. In the past 12 months, there has been zero notifications to an inmate, pursuant to this standard.

115.76 Disciplinary sanctions for staff

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

- 1. Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ
- 2. Nebraska Dept. Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, dated 7.31.2022

Interviews:

1. Warden

Interview with the Warden demonstrated employees would be placed on Administrative Leave until the investigation was completed. Depending on the outcome, would depend on disciplinary action that would take place.

Site Observation:

In the last 12 months, the facility had zero staff who was disciplined and terminated for violation of an agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policy.

(a) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states staff is subject to disciplinary sanctions up to and including termination for violating agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 27, section HH. PREA Standard Secured Facility 115.76 a-d / Community Facility 115.276 a-d Disciplinary Sanctions for Staff, states, "Team members shall be subject to disciplinary sanctions up to and including termination for violating agency sexual abuse/assault or sexual harassment policies. Disciplinary sanctions for violations of agency policies relating to sexual abuse/assault or sexual harassment (other than actually engaging in sexual abuse/assault) shall be commensurate with the nature and circumstances of the acts committed, the team member's disciplinary history and the sanctions imposed for comparable offenses by other staff with similar histories. Termination shall be the presumptive disciplinary sanction for staff who have engaged in sexual abuse/assault. All terminations for violations of agency sexual abuse/assault or sexual harassment policies, or resignations by staff who would have been terminated if not for their resignation, shall be reported to law enforcement agencies,

unless the activity was clearly not criminal, and to any relevant licensing bodies."

- (b) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states in the last 12 months, there has been zero staff from the facility that had violated agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies.
- (c) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states disciplinary sanctions for violations of agency policies relating to sexual abuse or sexual harassment (other than actually engaging in sexual abuse) are commensurate with the nature and circumstances of the acts committed, the staff member's disciplinary history, and the sanctions imposed for comparable offenses by other staff with similar histories. In the past 12 months there was zero staff requiring discipline for sexual abuse or sexual harassment. Policy compliance can be found in provision (a) of this standard.
- (d) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states all terminations for violations of agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies, or resignations by staff who would have been terminated if not for their resignation, are reported to law enforcement agencies, unless the activity was clearly not criminal, and to any relevant licensing bodies. In the past 12 months, zero staff have been terminated for sexual abuse or harassment. Policy compliance can be found in provision (a) of this standard.

115.77 Corrective action for contractors and volunteers

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

- 1. Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ
- 2. Nebraska Dept. Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, dated 7.31.2022

Interviews:

1. Warden

The interview with the Warden demonstrated any volunteer or contractor who engaged in sexual abuse would be removed from the facility and reported to law enforcement.

Site Observation:

During the last audit cycle, the facility did not have any volunteers or contractors subject to disciplinary action due to violating sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies.

(a) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states agency policy requires that any contractor or volunteer who engages in sexual abuse be reported to law enforcement agencies, unless the activity was clearly not criminal, and to relevant licensing bodies. agency policy requires that any contractor or volunteer who engages in sexual abuse be prohibited from contact with Inmates. In the past 12 months, there have been zero contractors or volunteers reported to law enforcement or relevant licensing bodies for engaging in sexual abuse of Inmates.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 27, section II. PREA Standard Secure Facilities 115.77 a-b / Community Faculties 115.277 a-b Corrective Action for Contractors and Volunteers, states, "Any contractor or volunteer who engages in sexual abuse/assault shall be prohibited from contact with inmates and shall be reported to law enforcement agencies, unless the activity was clearly not criminal, and to relevant licensing bodies. The facility shall take appropriate remedial measures and shall consider whether to prohibit further contact with inmates, in the case of any other violation of agency sexual abuse/assault or

sexual harassment policies by a contractor or volunteer."

(b) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the facility takes appropriate remedial measures and considers whether to prohibit further contact with Inmates in the case of any other violation of agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies by a contractor or volunteer. Policy compliance can be found in provision (a) of this standard.

115.78 Disciplinary sanctions for inmates

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

- 1. Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ
- 2. Nebraska Dept. Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, dated 7.31.2022
- 3. Department of Correctional Services, Title 68 Nebraska Administrative Code Chapter 5 Code of Offenses, not dated

Interviews:

1. Warden

Interviews with the Warden demonstrated inmates who falsely reported PREA allegations would typically be disciplined in accordance with the inmate rulebook.

(a) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states inmates are subject to disciplinary sanctions only pursuant to a formal disciplinary process following a criminal finding of guilt for inmate-on-inmate sexual abuse. Inmates are subject to disciplinary sanctions only pursuant to a formal disciplinary process following a criminal finding of guild for inmate-on-inmate sexual abuse. In the past 12 months there have been zero administrative findings of inmate-on-inmate sexual abuse that have occurred at the facility. In the past 12 months there have been zero criminal findings of guilt for inmate-on-inmate sexual abuse, occurring at the facility.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 27-28, section JJ. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.78 a-g / Community Facility 115.278 a-g Disciplinary Sanctions for Inmates, Disciplinary Process, 1., states, "Inmates shall be subject to disciplinary sanctions pursuant to a formal disciplinary process following an administrative finding the inmate engaged in inmate-on-inmate sexual abuse/assault or sexual harassment or following a criminal finding of guilt for inmate-on-inmate sexual abuse/assault.

If a Misconduct Report (MR) has not previously been written, an MR shall be written on the abuser by the facility PREA Compliance Manager/designee after he or she receives the result of the investigation from the PREA Coordinator confirming the allegation has been substantiated. The point of discovery for the violation will be when the results of the investigation are received by the facility PREA Compliance Manager/designee."

(b) Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 28, section JJ. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.78 a-g / Community Facility 115.278 a-g Disciplinary Sanctions for Inmates, Disciplinary Process, 2., states, "Sanctions shall be administered following the guidelines set forth in the Code of Offenses Chapter 6 and shall be commensurate with the nature and circumstances of the abuse committed, the inmate's disciplinary history and the sanctions imposed for comparable offenses by other inmates with similar histories."

The facility provided the Department of Correctional Services, Title 68 Nebraska Administrative Code - Chapter 5 - Code of Offenses. Page 3, section II [C], states, "Sexual Activities. Consensual intercourse, sodomy, kissing (except as authorized in the visiting room) or touching another person's intimate parts; or intentionally exposing one's sexual organs to another person in a location or manner where such exposure has no legitimate purpose."

- (c) Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 28, section JJ. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.78 a-g / Community Facility 115.278 a-g Disciplinary Sanctions for Inmates, Disciplinary Process, 3., states, "The disciplinary process shall consider whether an inmate's mental disabilities or mental illness contributed to his or her behavior when determining what type of sanction, if any, should be imposed."
- (d) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the facility does offer therapy, counseling, or other interventions designed to address and correct the underlying reasons or motivations for abuse.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 28, section JJ. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.78 a-g / Community Facility 115.278 a-g Disciplinary Sanctions for Inmates, Disciplinary Process, 4., states, "If the facility offers therapy, counseling or other interventions designed to address and correct underlying reasons or motivations for the abuse, the facility shall consider whether to require the offending inmate to participate in such interventions as a condition of access to programming or other benefits. If such a determination is made the inmate will be re-classified accordingly."

(e) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency disciplines inmates for sexual contact with staff only upon finding that the staff member did not consent to such contact.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 28, section JJ. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.78 a-g / Community Facility 115.278 a-g Disciplinary Sanctions for Inmates, Disciplinary Process, 5., states, "Inmates shall not be disciplined for having sexual contact with staff unless it is determined the staff member did not consent to such contact."

(f) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency prohibits disciplinary action for a report of sexual abuse made in good faith based upon a reasonable belief that the alleged conduct occurred, even if an investigation does not establish evidence sufficient to substantiate the allegation.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 28, section JJ. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.78 a-g / Community Facility 115.278 a-g Disciplinary Sanctions for Inmates, Disciplinary Process, 6., states, "For the purpose of disciplinary action, a report of sexual abuse/assault or sexual harassment made in good faith based upon a reasonable belief the alleged conduct occurred shall not constitute falsely reporting an incident or lying, even if an investigation does not establish evidence sufficient to substantiate the allegation."

(g) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency prohibits all sexual activity between Inmates. If the agency prohibits all sexual activity between inmates and disciplines inmates for such activity, the agency deems such activity to constitute sexual abuse only if it determines that the activity is coerced.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 28, section JJ. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.78 a-g / Community Facility 115.278 a-g Disciplinary Sanctions for Inmates, Disciplinary Process, 7., states, "While NDCS does prohibit all sexual activity between inmates, such activity, when it occurs, will not constitute sexual abuse if it is determined the activity is consensual and has not been coerced."

115.81 Medical and mental health screenings; history of sexual abuse

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

- 1. Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ
- 2. Nebraska Dept. Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, dated 7.31.2022
- 3. Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Health Record Example

Interviews:

- 1. Random Inmates
- 2. Targeted Inmates
- 3. Case Manager
- 4. Mental Health Practitioner Supervisor

During random and targeted interviews with inmates, two inmates disclosed past abuse to the Auditor; and each inmate had been offered and accepted mental health services because the mental health team asked questions during their intake process.

During the interview with the Case Manager she stated when notifying mental health of potential victims or aggressors she completes a mental health referral form and mental health subsequently completes their portion of the form upon completion of the mental health appointment with inmates.

Site Observation:

During the onsite review, rosters of inmates demonstrated there were not inmates who disclosed sexual victimization.

(a, c) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states all Inmates at this facility who have disclosed any prior sexual victimization during a screening pursuant to §115.341 are offered a follow-up meeting with a medical or mental health practitioner. Follow up meetings are offered within 14 days of the intake screening. In the past 12 months zero inmates disclosed prior victimization during the intake

screening were offered a follow-up meeting with a medical or mental health provider. Medical and mental health staff maintain secondary materials, documenting compliance with the above required services.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 28, section KK. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.81 / Community Facility 115.281 Medical and Mental Health Screening History of Sexual Abuse, states, "If the Screening pursuant to PREA Standard 115.41 indicates that a prison/jail inmates has experienced prior sexual victimization, or has perpetrated sexual abuse/assault whether it occurred in an institutional setting or in the community, staff shall ensure that the inmates offered a follow-up meeting with a medical or mental health practitioner within 14 days of the intake screening. Any information related to sexual victimization or abusiveness is strictly limited to medical and mental health practitioners and staff as necessary for treatment plans, security, housing, work education and program assignments. (ACI-3D-13)

Medical and Mental Health staff shall obtain informed consent from inmates before reporting prior information about sexual victimization that did not occur in an institutional setting, unless the inmate is under 18 years of age."

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Health Record Example. The example documents the following.

- · ID Number
- Inmate Name
- Facility
- Housing Unit
- · Bed
- Received Date
- Special Needs or Needs Levels
- Assigned Clinician and Needs Levels
- Mental Health Contacts Information
- (b) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states all Inmates who have previously perpetrated sexual abuse, as indicated during the screening pursuant to § 115.341, are offered a follow-up meeting with a mental health practitioner. All

Inmates are allowed a follow-up meeting offered within 14 days of the intake screening. In the past 12 months 100% of inmates who disclosed previously perpetrated sexual abuse, as indicated during the screening process. Policy compliance can be found in provision (a) of this standard."

- (d) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states, Information related to sexual victimization or abusiveness that occurred in an institutional setting is not strictly limited to medical and mental health practitioners. Policy compliance can be found in provision (a) of this standard.
- (e) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states, Medical and mental health practitioners obtain informed consent from inmates before reporting information about prior sexual victimization that did not occur in an institution setting unless the inmate is under the age of 18. Policy compliance can be found in provision (a) of this standard.

115.82 Access to emergency medical and mental health services

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

- 1. Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ
- 2. Nebraska Dept. Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, dated 7.31.2022

Interviews:

- Contracted Registered Nurse
- 2. Nurse Supervisor / Supervisor of Contracted Medical Personnel
- Mental Health Practitioner Supervisor

Interviews with medical and mental health staff demonstrated access to emergency medical and mental health services are offered immediately upon receipt of an allegation of sexual abuse.

(a-b) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states Inmate victims of sexual abuse receive timely, unimpeded access to emergency medical treatment and crisis intervention services. The nature and scope of such services are determined by medical and mental health practitioners according to their professional judgment. Medical and mental health staff maintain secondary materials (e.g., form, log) documenting the timeliness of emergency medical treatment and crisis intervention services that were provided; the appropriate response by non-health staff in the event health staff are not present at the time the incident is reported; and the provision of appropriate and timely information and services concerning contraception and sexually transmitted infection prophylaxis.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 28-29, section LL, PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.82 a-d / Community Facility 115.282 a-d Access to Emergency Medical and Mental Health Services, states, "Inmate victims of sexual assault/abuse shall receive timely, unimpeded access to emergency medical treatment and crisis intervention services, the nature and scope of which are determined by medical and mental health practitioners according to their professional judgment. If no qualified medical or mental health practitioners are on duty at the time a report of recent abuse is made, security staff first responders shall take preliminary steps to protect the victim and immediately notify the

appropriate medical and mental health staff.

Inmate victims of sexual assault/abuse shall be offered timely information about and timely access to emergency contraception and sexually transmitted infections prophylaxis, in accordance with professionally accepted standards of care, where medically appropriate. Treatment services shall be provided to the victim without financial cost and regardless of whether the victim names the abuser or cooperates with any investigation arising out of the incident."

- (c) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states Inmate victims of sexual abuse while incarcerated are offered timely information about and timely access to emergency contraception and sexually transmitted infections prophylaxis, in accordance with professionally accepted standards of care, where medically appropriate. Policy compliance can be found in provision (a) of this standard.
- (d) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states Treatment services are provided to every victim without financial cost and regardless of whether the victim names the abuser or cooperates with any investigation arising out of the incident. Policy compliance can be found in provision (a) of this provision.

115.83

Ongoing medical and mental health care for sexual abuse victims and abusers

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

- 1. Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ
- 2. Nebraska Dept. Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, dated 7.31.2022
- 3. Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Identification of Potential Aggressors and Victims Policy 201.03, dated 7.31.2022

Interviews:

- Contracted Registered Nurse
- 2. Nurse Supervisor / Supervisor of Contracted Medical Personnel
- 3. Mental Health Practitioner Supervisor

Interviews with medical and mental health staff demonstrated testing for sexually transmitted diseases can be completed at the hospital and or the facility, depending ongoing needs. Both medical and mental health staff stated a continuum of care would be followed when received from a sexual abuse forensic exam except for ongoing use of narcotic pain medication where over the counter pain medication would be substituted.

(a-c) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the facility offers medical and mental health evaluation and, as appropriate, treatment to all Inmates who have been victimized by sexual abuse in any prison, jail, lockup, or juvenile facility.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 31-32, section MM. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.83 a-h / Community Facility 115.283 a-h Ongoing Medical and Mental Health Care for Sexual Abuse Victims and Abusers, states, "All inmates shall be offered medical and mental health evaluations and as appropriate, treatment if they have been the victim of sexual assault/abuse. The evaluation and treatment of such victims shall include, as appropriate, follow-up services, treatment plans and, when necessary, referrals for continued care following their transfer to, or placement in other facilities or their release from custody. Services shall be consistent with community level of care.

Treatment services shall be provided to the victim without financial cost and regardless of whether the victim names the abuser or cooperates with any investigation arising out of the incident.

All inmates alleging they are victims of sexual assault shall be offered tests for sexually transmitted infections as medically appropriate. Medical staff will provide appropriate counseling and information relative to sexually transmitted infections. Preventive treatment and follow-up for sexually transmitted infections will be offered to all victims as appropriate. Inmate victims of sexually abusive vaginal penetration shall be offered pregnancy tests. If pregnancy results from the incident, the victim shall receive timely and comprehensive information about and timely access to all lawful pregnancy-related medical services."

- (d-e) This provision is not applicable as the facility does not serve female clients.
- (f) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states Inmate victims of sexual abuse while incarcerated are offered tests for sexually transmitted infections as medically appropriate. Policy compliance can be found in provision (a) of this standard.
- (g) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states treatment services are provided to the victim without financial cost and regardless of whether the victim names the abuser or cooperates with any investigation arising out of the incident. Policy compliance can be found in provision (a) of this standard.
- (h) Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Identification of Potential Aggressors and Victims Policy 201.03, page 5, second paragraph, states, "When facility staff are made aware of any inmate-on-inmate abuse incidents, a referral must be made to mental health staff upon learning of such abuse history. Treatment will be provided as deemed necessary by mental health staff."

The facility provided Nebraska Department of Correctional Services Mental Health/ Medical Referral Form. The referral form referrals are not individual to victims and or abusers. Referral types are the following:

- · In-Patient Mental Health Program
- · In-Patient Sex Offender Program

- Psychiatric Consult
- · Medical
- · Socially & Developmentally Impaired Program
- · Crisis Intervention
- · Mental Health Counseling/Assessment
- · Other

115.86 Sexual abuse incident reviews

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

- 1. Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ
- 2. Nebraska Dept. Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, dated 7.31.2022
- 3. Sexual Abuse Incident Review Template

Interviews:

- 1. Unit Administrator / PREA Compliance Manager
- 2. Warden

The interview with administrative staff demonstrated the incident review team consists of upper management personnel. The team considers the motivation of the allegation, staffing levels, the physical plant, group dynamics, retaliation, and review of camera footage.

Onsite Observation:

The facility has not had a sexual harassment or sexual abuse investigation in past 12 months.

(a) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the facility conducts a sexual abuse incident review at the conclusion of every criminal or administrative sexual abuse investigation, unless the allegation has been determined to be unfounded. In the past 12 months there has been zero administrative investigations of alleged sexual abuse completed at the facility,

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 29, section NN. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.86 a-b / Community Facility 115.286 a-b Sexual Abuse Incident Reviews 1., states, "The facility shall conduct a Sexual Abuse Incident Review at the conclusion of every sexual abuse/assault investigation for all substantiated and unsubstantiated allegations. It is not necessary to complete Incident Reviews for occurrences or allegations of sexual harassment."

The facility provided a Sexual Abuse Incident Review Form. The review is completed by the Facility PREA Compliance Manager and demonstrates the following is completed for sexual abuse incident reviews.

- Executive Summary
- Summary of the Incident
- Incident Events and Synopsis
- Analysis of Incident
- · Recommendations for Improvement
- Conclusions
- (b) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states sexual abuse incident reviews are ordinarily conducted within 30 days of concluding the criminal or administrative investigation.

In the past 12 months, the number of criminal and/or administrative investigations of alleged sexual abuse completed at the facility that were followed by a sexual abuse incident review within 30 days, excluding only "unfounded" incidents was zero.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 29-30, section NN. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.86 a-b / Community Facility 115.286 a-b Sexual Abuse Incident Reviews 2., states, "The facility PREA Management Team is responsible for conducting the incident review and shall ordinarily meet within 30 days of the final review and closing of the investigation. The facility PREA Compliance Manager will oversee the PREA Management Team, which will include, at a minimum, one person from each of the following:

- a. Upper-level management officials (i.e., Deputy, Associate or Assistant Warden; Major; Captain; Unit Administrator)
- b. b. Line supervisors (i.e., Lieutenant, Sergeant, Unit Manager, Unit Case Manager)
- c. c. Investigative staff (i.e., Intelligence supervisor or other Intelligence staff)
- d. d. Medical or mental health staff Specific operational procedures regarding the PREA Management Teams are detailed in facility Procedures."
- (c) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the sexual abuse incident review team includes upper-level management officials and allows for input from line supervisors, investigators, and medical or mental health practitioners. Compliance

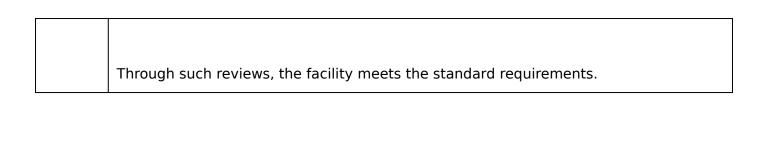
can be found in provision (b) of this standard.

(d) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the facility prepares a report of its findings from sexual abuse incident reviews, including but not necessarily limited to determinations made pursuant to paragraphs (d)(1) -(d)(5) of this section, and any recommendations for improvement and submits such report to the facility head and PREA compliance manager.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 29-30, section NN. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.86 a-b / Community Facility 115.286 a-b Sexual Abuse Incident Reviews 3., The review team shall, states,

- a. "Consider whether the allegation or investigation indicates a need to change policy or practice to better prevent, detect or respond to sexual abuse/assault.
- b. Consider whether the incident or allegation was motivated by race; ethnicity; gender identity; lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender or intersex identification; status or perceived status; gang affiliation; or was motivated or otherwise caused by other group dynamics at the facility, including retaliation for prior incidents or allegations of sexual assault/abuse.
- c. Examine the area in the facility where the incident allegedly occurred to assess whether physical barriers in the area may enable abuse.
- d. Assess the adequacy of staffing levels in that area during different shifts.
- e. Assess whether monitoring technology should be deployed or augmented to supplement supervision by staff.
- f. Prepare a report of its findings, including but not necessarily limited to determinations made and any recommendations for improvement. The facility PREA Compliance Manager will submit the report to the Warden/designee for his/her review, and then sent to the PREA Coordinator."
- (e) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states, the facility implements the recommendations for improvement or documents its reasons for not doing so. Compliance can be found in provision (d) of this standard.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 29-30, section NN. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.86 a-b / Community Facility 115.286 a-b Sexual Abuse Incident Reviews 4., states, "The facility shall implement the recommendations for improvement or shall document its reasons for not doing so."



115.87 Data collection

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

- 1. Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ
- 2. Nebraska Dept. Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, dated 7.31.2022

Interviews:

1. Deputy Director of Prisons

The interview with the Deputy Director of Prisons demonstrated the agency reviews all incident reports of sexual harassment and sexual abuse, staff and inmates involved in allegations, compile year end reports, outcries and investigations referred for criminal prosecution and look for common trends. The agency focuses on areas to address in the past year and identifies areas needing corrective action.

(a/c)

The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency collects accurate, uniform data for every allegation of sexual abuse at facilities under its direct control using a standardized instrument and set of definitions. The standardized instrument includes, at a minimum, the data necessary to answer all questions from the most recent version of the Survey of Sexual Violence (SSV) conducted by the Department of Justice.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 30-31, section OO. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.87 a-f / Community Facility 115.287 a-f Data Collection, 1., states, "NDCS shall collect accurate, uniform data for every allegation of sexual abuse/assault at all facilities using a standardized instrument and set of definitions. This data shall be aggregated at least annually.

- 1. The incident-based data collected shall include, at a minimum, the data necessary to answer all questions from the most recent version of the Survey of Sexual Violence conducted by the DOJ, which is completed by the PREA Coordinator.
- 2. NDCS shall maintain, review and collect data as needed from all available incident-based documents, including reports, investigation files and Sexual Abuse/ Assault Incident Reviews.

- 3. Upon request, NDCS shall provide all such data from the previous calendar year to the DOJ."
- (b) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the annual report includes a comparison of the current year's data and corrective action from prior years. Policy compliance can be found in provision (a) of this standard.
- (d) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency maintains, reviews, and collects data as needed from all available incident-based documents, including reports, investigation files, and sexual abuse incident reviews. Policy compliance can be found in provision (a) of this standard.
- (e) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states N/A as the agency does not contract with private facilities. The contracting sources identified in 115.42 are county contracts and contract language for those facilities is inclusive of PREA Audit requirements.
- (f) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the Department of Justice has requested agency data for the previous calendar year.

115.88 Data review for corrective action

Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard

Auditor Discussion

Document Review:

- 1. Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ
- 2. Nebraska Dept. Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, dated 7.31.2022
- 3. Nebraska Department of Correctional Services Annual PREA Assessment 2021
- 4. Agency website agency report: agency_year_report.pdf (nebraska.gov)
- (a) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency reviews data collected and aggregated pursuant to §115.387 in order to assess and improve the effectiveness of its sexual abuse prevention, detection, and response policies, and training, including:
- · Identifying problem areas;
- · Taking corrective action on an ongoing basis; and
- Preparing an annual report of its findings from its data review and any corrective actions for each facility, as well as the agency as a whole.

Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 32, section PP. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.88 / Community Facility 115.288 Data Review for Corrective Action 1., states, "NDCS shall review data in order to assess and improve the effectiveness of NDCS's sexual abuse/assault prevention, detection and response policies, practices and training by:

- a. Identifying problem areas
- b. Taking corrective action on an ongoing basis
- c. Preparing an annual report of its findings and corrective actions for each facility and NDCS as a whole
- These reports shall include a comparison of the current year's data and corrective actions with those from prior years and shall provide an assessment of NDCS's progress in addressing sexual abuse/assault.
- 2. The reports shall be approved by the Director/designee and made readily available to the public through its website.

- 3. NDCS may redact specific material from the reports when publication would present a clear and specific threat to the safety and security of a facility but must indicate the nature of the material redacted."
- (b) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the annual report includes a comparison of the current year's data and corrective actions to those from prior years. The annual report provides an assessment of the agency's progress in addressing sexual abuse.

The facility provided the Nebraska Department of Correctional Services Annual PREA Assessment for 2021. The assessment demonstrates the following is documented.

- · Introduction of PREA
- Assessment of NDCS; s Progress
- Goals for 2022
- Facility Audit Schedule
- · PREA Investigations
- · Institutions who issued misconduct reports for sexual assault rule violations
- Victim Advocacy
- · Nebraska Statewide Coordinated Response Team

This assessment is signed by the Captain/PREA Coordinator, PREA Compliance Manager, Security Administrator, Deputy Director of Prisons, Deputy Director of Programs, Chief of Operations, and Director.

- (c) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency makes its annual report readily available to the public, at least annually, through its website. Annual reports are approved by the agency head. The following is the agency website where the annual reports for the last seven years are located is agency_year_report.pdf (nebraska.gov)
- (d) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states when the agency redacts material from an annual report for publication, the redactions are limited to specific materials where publication would present a clear and specific threat to the safety and security of the facility. Policy compliance can be found in provision (a) of this

standard.
Through such reviews, the facility meets the standard requirements.

115.89 Data storage, publication, and destruction Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard **Auditor Discussion** Document Review: Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ Nebraska Dept. Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, dated 7.31.2022 (a) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states the agency ensures that incident-based and aggregate data are securely retained. Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, Sexual Assault/Abuse Policy 203.11, page 32-33, section, QQ. PREA Standard Secure Facility 115.89 a-d / Community Facility 115.289 a-d Data storage, publications, and destruction states, "The data collected shall be securely retained. All aggregated sexual abuse/assault data shall be made readily available to the public at least annually through the agency's website; all personal identifiers will be removed prior to making the information available to the public. The PREA Coordinator shall be responsible for collection and retention of said data. NDCS shall maintain sexual abuse/assault data collected for at least 10 years after the date of the initial collection unless Federal, State or local law requires otherwise." (b) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states agency policy requires that aggregated sexual abuse data from facilities under its direct control and private facilities with which it contracts be made readily available to the public at least annually through its website. Policy compliance can be found in provision (a) of this standard. (c) The Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility PAQ states before making aggregated sexual abuse data publicly available, the agency removes all personal identifiers. Policy compliance can be found in provision (a) of this standard.

115.401	Frequency and scope of audits
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	(a) During the prior three-year audit period, the agency ensured that each facility operated was audited, once.
	(b) This is the third audit cycle for Nebraska Correction Youth Facility and the first year of the fourth audit cycle.
	(h) The Auditor was granted complete access to, and the ability to observe, all areas of the facility.
	(i) The Auditor was permitted to request and receive copies of any relevant documents (including electronically stored information).
	(m) The Auditor was permitted to conduct private interviews with residents.
	(n) Residents permitted to send confidential information or correspondence to the Auditor in the same manner as if they were communicating with legal counsel.
	Through such reviews, the facility meets the standards requirements.

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115.403	Audit contents and findings
	Auditor Overall Determination: Meets Standard
	Auditor Discussion
	(b) The agency has posted the current 2019 PREA audit report, on their website.
	Through such reviews, the facility meets the standards requirements.

Appendix: Provision Findings			
115.11 (a)	Zero tolerance of sexual abuse and sexual harassment; PREA coordinator		
	Does the agency have a written policy mandating zero tolerance toward all forms of sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes	
	Does the written policy outline the agency's approach to preventing, detecting, and responding to sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes	
115.11 (b)	Zero tolerance of sexual abuse and sexual harassment; PREA coordinator		
	Has the agency employed or designated an agency-wide PREA Coordinator?	yes	
	Is the PREA Coordinator position in the upper-level of the agency hierarchy?	yes	
	Does the PREA Coordinator have sufficient time and authority to develop, implement, and oversee agency efforts to comply with the PREA standards in all of its facilities?	yes	
115.11 (c)	Zero tolerance of sexual abuse and sexual harassmer coordinator	nt; PREA	
	If this agency operates more than one facility, has each facility designated a PREA compliance manager? (N/A if agency operates only one facility.)	yes	
	Does the PREA compliance manager have sufficient time and authority to coordinate the facility's efforts to comply with the PREA standards? (N/A if agency operates only one facility.)	yes	
115.12 (a)	Contracting with other entities for the confinement o	f inmates	
	If this agency is public and it contracts for the confinement of its inmates with private agencies or other entities including other government agencies, has the agency included the entity's obligation to comply with the PREA standards in any new contract or contract renewal signed on or after August 20, 2012? (N/A if the agency does not contract with private agencies or other entities for the confinement of inmates.)	yes	

115.12 (b)	Contracting with other entities for the confinement of inmates		
	Does any new contract or contract renewal signed on or after August 20, 2012 provide for agency contract monitoring to ensure that the contractor is complying with the PREA standards? (N/A if the agency does not contract with private agencies or other entities for the confinement of inmates.)	yes	

115.13 (a)	Supervision and monitoring	
	Does the facility have a documented staffing plan that provides for adequate levels of staffing and, where applicable, video monitoring, to protect inmates against sexual abuse?	yes
	In calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring, does the staffing plan take into consideration: Generally accepted detention and correctional practices?	yes
	In calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring, does the staffing plan take into consideration: Any judicial findings of inadequacy?	yes
	In calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring, does the staffing plan take into consideration: Any findings of inadequacy from Federal investigative agencies?	yes
	In calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring, does the staffing plan take into consideration: Any findings of inadequacy from internal or external oversight bodies?	yes
	In calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring, does the staffing plan take into consideration: All components of the facility's physical plant (including "blind-spots" or areas where staff or inmates may be isolated)?	yes
	In calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring, does the staffing plan take into consideration: The composition of the inmate population?	yes
	In calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring, does the staffing plan take into consideration: The number and placement of supervisory staff?	yes
	In calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring, does the staffing plan take into consideration: The institution programs occurring on a particular shift?	yes
	In calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring, does the staffing plan take into consideration: Any applicable State or local laws, regulations, or standards?	yes
	In calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need	yes

	for video monitoring, does the staffing plan take into consideration: The prevalence of substantiated and unsubstantiated incidents of sexual abuse?	
	In calculating adequate staffing levels and determining the need for video monitoring, does the staffing plan take into consideration: Any other relevant factors?	yes
115.13 (b)	Supervision and monitoring	
	In circumstances where the staffing plan is not complied with, does the facility document and justify all deviations from the plan? (N/A if no deviations from staffing plan.)	na
115.13 (c)	Supervision and monitoring	
	In the past 12 months, has the facility, in consultation with the agency PREA Coordinator, assessed, determined, and documented whether adjustments are needed to: The staffing plan established pursuant to paragraph (a) of this section?	yes
	In the past 12 months, has the facility, in consultation with the agency PREA Coordinator, assessed, determined, and documented whether adjustments are needed to: The facility's deployment of video monitoring systems and other monitoring technologies?	yes
	In the past 12 months, has the facility, in consultation with the agency PREA Coordinator, assessed, determined, and documented whether adjustments are needed to: The resources the facility has available to commit to ensure adherence to the staffing plan?	yes
115.13 (d)	Supervision and monitoring	
	Has the facility/agency implemented a policy and practice of having intermediate-level or higher-level supervisors conduct and document unannounced rounds to identify and deter staff sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes
	Is this policy and practice implemented for night shifts as well as day shifts?	yes
	Does the facility/agency have a policy prohibiting staff from alerting other staff members that these supervisory rounds are occurring, unless such announcement is related to the legitimate operational functions of the facility?	yes

115.14 (a)	Youthful inmates	
	Does the facility place all youthful inmates in housing units that separate them from sight, sound, and physical contact with any adult inmates through use of a shared dayroom or other common space, shower area, or sleeping quarters? (N/A if facility does not have youthful inmates (inmates <18 years old).)	yes
115.14 (b)	Youthful inmates	
	In areas outside of housing units does the agency maintain sight and sound separation between youthful inmates and adult inmates? (N/A if facility does not have youthful inmates (inmates <18 years old).)	yes
	In areas outside of housing units does the agency provide direct staff supervision when youthful inmates and adult inmates have sight, sound, or physical contact? (N/A if facility does not have youthful inmates (inmates <18 years old).)	yes
115.14 (c)	Youthful inmates	
	Does the agency make its best efforts to avoid placing youthful inmates in isolation to comply with this provision? (N/A if facility does not have youthful inmates (inmates <18 years old).)	yes
	Does the agency, while complying with this provision, allow youthful inmates daily large-muscle exercise and legally required special education services, except in exigent circumstances? (N/A if facility does not have youthful inmates (inmates <18 years old).)	yes
	Do youthful inmates have access to other programs and work opportunities to the extent possible? (N/A if facility does not have youthful inmates (inmates <18 years old).)	yes
115.15 (a)	Limits to cross-gender viewing and searches	
	Does the facility always refrain from conducting any cross-gender strip or cross-gender visual body cavity searches, except in exigent circumstances or by medical practitioners?	yes

115.15 (b)	Limits to cross-gender viewing and searches		
	Does the facility always refrain from conducting cross-gender pat- down searches of female inmates, except in exigent circumstances? (N/A if the facility does not have female inmates.)	na	
	Does the facility always refrain from restricting female inmates' access to regularly available programming or other out-of-cell opportunities in order to comply with this provision? (N/A if the facility does not have female inmates.)	na	
115.15 (c)	Limits to cross-gender viewing and searches		
	Does the facility document all cross-gender strip searches and cross-gender visual body cavity searches?	yes	
	Does the facility document all cross-gender pat-down searches of female inmates (N/A if the facility does not have female inmates)?	na	
115.15 (d)	Limits to cross-gender viewing and searches		
	Does the facility have policies that enables inmates to shower, perform bodily functions, and change clothing without nonmedical staff of the opposite gender viewing their breasts, buttocks, or genitalia, except in exigent circumstances or when such viewing is incidental to routine cell checks?	yes	
	Does the facility have procedures that enables inmates to shower, perform bodily functions, and change clothing without nonmedical staff of the opposite gender viewing their breasts, buttocks, or genitalia, except in exigent circumstances or when such viewing is incidental to routine cell checks?	yes	
	Does the facility require staff of the opposite gender to announce their presence when entering an inmate housing unit?	yes	
115.15 (e)	Limits to cross-gender viewing and searches		
	Does the facility always refrain from searching or physically examining transgender or intersex inmates for the sole purpose of determining the inmate's genital status?	yes	
	If an inmate's genital status is unknown, does the facility determine genital status during conversations with the inmate, by reviewing medical records, or, if necessary, by learning that information as part of a broader medical examination conducted in private by a medical practitioner?	yes	

115.15 (f)	Limits to cross-gender viewing and searches	
	Does the facility/agency train security staff in how to conduct cross-gender pat down searches in a professional and respectful manner, and in the least intrusive manner possible, consistent with security needs?	yes
	Does the facility/agency train security staff in how to conduct searches of transgender and intersex inmates in a professional and respectful manner, and in the least intrusive manner possible, consistent with security needs?	yes

115.16 (a)	Inmates with disabilities and inmates who are limited English proficient	
	Does the agency take appropriate steps to ensure that inmates with disabilities have an equal opportunity to participate in or benefit from all aspects of the agency's efforts to prevent, detect, and respond to sexual abuse and sexual harassment, including: inmates who are deaf or hard of hearing?	yes
	Does the agency take appropriate steps to ensure that inmates with disabilities have an equal opportunity to participate in or benefit from all aspects of the agency's efforts to prevent, detect, and respond to sexual abuse and sexual harassment, including: inmates who are blind or have low vision?	yes
	Does the agency take appropriate steps to ensure that inmates with disabilities have an equal opportunity to participate in or benefit from all aspects of the agency's efforts to prevent, detect, and respond to sexual abuse and sexual harassment, including: inmates who have intellectual disabilities?	yes
	Does the agency take appropriate steps to ensure that inmates with disabilities have an equal opportunity to participate in or benefit from all aspects of the agency's efforts to prevent, detect, and respond to sexual abuse and sexual harassment, including: inmates who have psychiatric disabilities?	yes
	Does the agency take appropriate steps to ensure that inmates with disabilities have an equal opportunity to participate in or benefit from all aspects of the agency's efforts to prevent, detect, and respond to sexual abuse and sexual harassment, including: inmates who have speech disabilities?	yes
	Does the agency take appropriate steps to ensure that inmates with disabilities have an equal opportunity to participate in or benefit from all aspects of the agency's efforts to prevent, detect, and respond to sexual abuse and sexual harassment, including: Other (if "other," please explain in overall determination notes.)	yes
	Do such steps include, when necessary, ensuring effective communication with inmates who are deaf or hard of hearing?	yes
	Do such steps include, when necessary, providing access to interpreters who can interpret effectively, accurately, and impartially, both receptively and expressively, using any necessary specialized vocabulary?	yes
	Does the agency ensure that written materials are provided in formats or through methods that ensure effective communication	yes

	with inmates with disabilities including inmates who: Have intellectual disabilities?	
	Does the agency ensure that written materials are provided in formats or through methods that ensure effective communication with inmates with disabilities including inmates who: Have limited reading skills?	yes
	Does the agency ensure that written materials are provided in formats or through methods that ensure effective communication with inmates with disabilities including inmates who: are blind or have low vision?	yes
115.16 (b)	Inmates with disabilities and inmates who are limited proficient	l English
	Does the agency take reasonable steps to ensure meaningful access to all aspects of the agency's efforts to prevent, detect, and respond to sexual abuse and sexual harassment to inmates who are limited English proficient?	yes
	Do these steps include providing interpreters who can interpret effectively, accurately, and impartially, both receptively and expressively, using any necessary specialized vocabulary?	yes
115.16 (c)	Inmates with disabilities and inmates who are limited proficient	l English
	Does the agency always refrain from relying on inmate interpreters, inmate readers, or other types of inmate assistance except in limited circumstances where an extended delay in obtaining an effective interpreter could compromise the inmate's safety, the performance of first-response duties under §115.64, or the investigation of the inmate's allegations?	yes

115.17 (a)	Hiring and promotion decisions		
	Does the agency prohibit the hiring or promotion of anyone who may have contact with inmates who has engaged in sexual abuse in a prison, jail, lockup, community confinement facility, juvenile facility, or other institution (as defined in 42 U.S.C. 1997)?	yes	
	Does the agency prohibit the hiring or promotion of anyone who may have contact with inmates who has been convicted of engaging or attempting to engage in sexual activity in the community facilitated by force, overt or implied threats of force, or coercion, or if the victim did not consent or was unable to consent or refuse?	yes	
	Does the agency prohibit the hiring or promotion of anyone who may have contact with inmates who has been civilly or administratively adjudicated to have engaged in the activity described in the two bullets immediately above?	yes	
	Does the agency prohibit the enlistment of services of any contractor who may have contact with inmates who has engaged in sexual abuse in a prison, jail, lockup, community confinement facility, juvenile facility, or other institution (as defined in 42 U.S.C. 1997)?	yes	
	Does the agency prohibit the enlistment of services of any contractor who may have contact with inmates who has been convicted of engaging or attempting to engage in sexual activity in the community facilitated by force, overt or implied threats of force, or coercion, or if the victim did not consent or was unable to consent or refuse?	yes	
	Does the agency prohibit the enlistment of services of any contractor who may have contact with inmates who has been civilly or administratively adjudicated to have engaged in the activity described in the two bullets immediately above?	yes	
115.17 (b)	Hiring and promotion decisions		
	Does the agency consider any incidents of sexual harassment in determining whether to hire or promote anyone who may have contact with inmates?	yes	
	Does the agency consider any incidents of sexual harassment in determining whether to enlist the services of any contractor who may have contact with inmates?	yes	

115.17 (c)	Hiring and promotion decisions		
	Before hiring new employees who may have contact with inmates, does the agency perform a criminal background records check?	yes	
	Before hiring new employees who may have contact with inmates, does the agency, consistent with Federal, State, and local law, make its best efforts to contact all prior institutional employers for information on substantiated allegations of sexual abuse or any resignation during a pending investigation of an allegation of sexual abuse?	yes	
115.17 (d)	Hiring and promotion decisions		
	Does the agency perform a criminal background records check before enlisting the services of any contractor who may have contact with inmates?	yes	
115.17 (e)	Hiring and promotion decisions		
	Does the agency either conduct criminal background records checks at least every five years of current employees and contractors who may have contact with inmates or have in place a system for otherwise capturing such information for current employees?	yes	
115.17 (f)	Hiring and promotion decisions		
	Does the agency ask all applicants and employees who may have contact with inmates directly about previous misconduct described in paragraph (a) of this section in written applications or interviews for hiring or promotions?	yes	
	Does the agency ask all applicants and employees who may have contact with inmates directly about previous misconduct described in paragraph (a) of this section in any interviews or written self-evaluations conducted as part of reviews of current employees?	yes	
	Does the agency impose upon employees a continuing affirmative duty to disclose any such misconduct?	yes	
115.17 (g)	Hiring and promotion decisions		
	Does the agency consider material omissions regarding such misconduct, or the provision of materially false information, grounds for termination?	yes	

115.17 (h)	Hiring and promotion decisions		
	Does the agency provide information on substantiated allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment involving a former employee upon receiving a request from an institutional employer for whom such employee has applied to work? (N/A if providing information on substantiated allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment involving a former employee is prohibited by law.)	yes	
115.18 (a)	Upgrades to facilities and technologies		
	If the agency designed or acquired any new facility or planned any substantial expansion or modification of existing facilities, did the agency consider the effect of the design, acquisition, expansion, or modification upon the agency's ability to protect inmates from sexual abuse? (N/A if agency/facility has not acquired a new facility or made a substantial expansion to existing facilities since August 20, 2012, or since the last PREA audit, whichever is later.)	na	
115.18 (b)	Upgrades to facilities and technologies		
	If the agency installed or updated a video monitoring system, electronic surveillance system, or other monitoring technology, did the agency consider how such technology may enhance the agency's ability to protect inmates from sexual abuse? (N/A if agency/facility has not installed or updated a video monitoring system, electronic surveillance system, or other monitoring technology since August 20, 2012, or since the last PREA audit, whichever is later.)	na	
115.21 (a)	Evidence protocol and forensic medical examinations		
	If the agency is responsible for investigating allegations of sexual abuse, does the agency follow a uniform evidence protocol that maximizes the potential for obtaining usable physical evidence for administrative proceedings and criminal prosecutions? (N/A if the agency/facility is not responsible for conducting any form of criminal OR administrative sexual abuse investigations.)	yes	

115.21 (b)	(b) Evidence protocol and forensic medical examinations		
	Is this protocol developmentally appropriate for youth where applicable? (N/A if the agency/facility is not responsible for conducting any form of criminal OR administrative sexual abuse investigations.)	yes	
	Is this protocol, as appropriate, adapted from or otherwise based on the most recent edition of the U.S. Department of Justice's Office on Violence Against Women publication, "A National Protocol for Sexual Assault Medical Forensic Examinations, Adults/ Adolescents," or similarly comprehensive and authoritative protocols developed after 2011? (N/A if the agency/facility is not responsible for conducting any form of criminal OR administrative sexual abuse investigations.)	yes	
115.21 (c)	Evidence protocol and forensic medical examinations		
	Does the agency offer all victims of sexual abuse access to forensic medical examinations, whether on-site or at an outside facility, without financial cost, where evidentiarily or medically appropriate?	yes	
	Are such examinations performed by Sexual Assault Forensic Examiners (SAFEs) or Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners (SANEs) where possible?	yes	
	If SAFEs or SANEs cannot be made available, is the examination performed by other qualified medical practitioners (they must have been specifically trained to conduct sexual assault forensic exams)?	yes	
	Has the agency documented its efforts to provide SAFEs or SANEs?	yes	
115.21 (d)	Evidence protocol and forensic medical examinations		
	Does the agency attempt to make available to the victim a victim advocate from a rape crisis center?	yes	
	If a rape crisis center is not available to provide victim advocate services, does the agency make available to provide these services a qualified staff member from a community-based organization, or a qualified agency staff member? (N/A if the agency always makes a victim advocate from a rape crisis center available to victims.)	yes	
	Has the agency documented its efforts to secure services from rape crisis centers?	yes	

115.21 (e)	Evidence protocol and forensic medical examinations		
	As requested by the victim, does the victim advocate, qualified agency staff member, or qualified community-based organization staff member accompany and support the victim through the forensic medical examination process and investigatory interviews?	yes	
	As requested by the victim, does this person provide emotional support, crisis intervention, information, and referrals?	yes	
115.21 (f)	Evidence protocol and forensic medical examinations		
	If the agency itself is not responsible for investigating allegations of sexual abuse, has the agency requested that the investigating agency follow the requirements of paragraphs (a) through (e) of this section? (N/A if the agency/facility is responsible for conducting criminal AND administrative sexual abuse investigations.)	yes	
115.21 (h)	Evidence protocol and forensic medical examinations		
	If the agency uses a qualified agency staff member or a qualified community-based staff member for the purposes of this section, has the individual been screened for appropriateness to serve in this role and received education concerning sexual assault and forensic examination issues in general? (N/A if agency always makes a victim advocate from a rape crisis center available to victims.)	yes	
115.22 (a)	Policies to ensure referrals of allegations for investig	ations	
	Does the agency ensure an administrative or criminal investigation is completed for all allegations of sexual abuse?	yes	
	Does the agency ensure an administrative or criminal investigation is completed for all allegations of sexual harassment?	yes	
115.22 (b)	Policies to ensure referrals of allegations for investig	ations	
	Does the agency have a policy and practice in place to ensure that allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment are referred for investigation to an agency with the legal authority to conduct criminal investigations, unless the allegation does not involve potentially criminal behavior?	yes	
	Has the agency published such policy on its website or, if it does not have one, made the policy available through other means?	yes	
	Does the agency document all such referrals?	yes	

115.22 (c)	Policies to ensure referrals of allegations for investigations	
	If a separate entity is responsible for conducting criminal investigations, does the policy describe the responsibilities of both the agency and the investigating entity? (N/A if the agency/facility is responsible for criminal investigations. See 115.21(a).)	yes
115.31 (a)	Employee training	
	Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with inmates on its zero-tolerance policy for sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes
	Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with inmates on how to fulfill their responsibilities under agency sexual abuse and sexual harassment prevention, detection, reporting, and response policies and procedures?	yes
	Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with inmates on inmates' right to be free from sexual abuse and sexual harassment	yes
	Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with inmates on the right of inmates and employees to be free from retaliation for reporting sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes
	Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with inmates on the dynamics of sexual abuse and sexual harassment in confinement?	yes
	Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with inmates on the common reactions of sexual abuse and sexual harassment victims?	yes
	Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with inmates on how to detect and respond to signs of threatened and actual sexual abuse?	yes
	Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with inmates on how to avoid inappropriate relationships with inmates?	yes
	Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with inmates on how to communicate effectively and professionally with inmates, including lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex, or gender nonconforming inmates?	yes
	Does the agency train all employees who may have contact with inmates on how to comply with relevant laws related to mandatory reporting of sexual abuse to outside authorities?	yes

115.31 (b)	Employee training	
	Is such training tailored to the gender of the inmates at the employee's facility?	yes
	Have employees received additional training if reassigned from a facility that houses only male inmates to a facility that houses only female inmates, or vice versa?	yes
115.31 (c)	Employee training	
	Have all current employees who may have contact with inmates received such training?	yes
	Does the agency provide each employee with refresher training every two years to ensure that all employees know the agency's current sexual abuse and sexual harassment policies and procedures?	yes
	In years in which an employee does not receive refresher training, does the agency provide refresher information on current sexual abuse and sexual harassment policies?	yes
115.31 (d)	Employee training	
	Does the agency document, through employee signature or electronic verification, that employees understand the training they have received?	yes
115.32 (a)	Volunteer and contractor training	
	Has the agency ensured that all volunteers and contractors who have contact with inmates have been trained on their responsibilities under the agency's sexual abuse and sexual harassment prevention, detection, and response policies and procedures?	yes
115.32 (b)	Volunteer and contractor training	
	Have all volunteers and contractors who have contact with inmates been notified of the agency's zero-tolerance policy regarding sexual abuse and sexual harassment and informed how to report such incidents (the level and type of training provided to volunteers and contractors shall be based on the services they provide and level of contact they have with inmates)?	yes
115.32 (c)	Volunteer and contractor training	
	Does the agency maintain documentation confirming that volunteers and contractors understand the training they have received?	yes

115.33 (a)	Inmate education	
	During intake, do inmates receive information explaining the agency's zero-tolerance policy regarding sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes
	During intake, do inmates receive information explaining how to report incidents or suspicions of sexual abuse or sexual harassment?	yes
115.33 (b)	Inmate education	
	Within 30 days of intake, does the agency provide comprehensive education to inmates either in person or through video regarding: Their rights to be free from sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes
	Within 30 days of intake, does the agency provide comprehensive education to inmates either in person or through video regarding: Their rights to be free from retaliation for reporting such incidents?	yes
	Within 30 days of intake, does the agency provide comprehensive education to inmates either in person or through video regarding: Agency policies and procedures for responding to such incidents?	yes
115.33 (c)	Inmate education	
	Have all inmates received the comprehensive education referenced in 115.33(b)?	yes
	Do inmates receive education upon transfer to a different facility to the extent that the policies and procedures of the inmate's new facility differ from those of the previous facility?	yes
115.33 (d)	Inmate education	
	Does the agency provide inmate education in formats accessible to all inmates including those who are limited English proficient?	yes
	Does the agency provide inmate education in formats accessible to all inmates including those who are deaf?	yes
	Does the agency provide inmate education in formats accessible to all inmates including those who are visually impaired?	yes
	Does the agency provide inmate education in formats accessible to all inmates including those who are otherwise disabled?	yes
	Does the agency provide inmate education in formats accessible to all inmates including those who have limited reading skills?	yes

115.33 (e)	Inmate education	
	Does the agency maintain documentation of inmate participation in these education sessions?	yes
115.33 (f)	Inmate education	
	In addition to providing such education, does the agency ensure that key information is continuously and readily available or visible to inmates through posters, inmate handbooks, or other written formats?	yes
115.34 (a)	Specialized training: Investigations	
	In addition to the general training provided to all employees pursuant to §115.31, does the agency ensure that, to the extent the agency itself conducts sexual abuse investigations, its investigators receive training in conducting such investigations in confinement settings? (N/A if the agency does not conduct any form of administrative or criminal sexual abuse investigations. See 115.21(a).)	yes
115.34 (b)	Specialized training: Investigations	
	Does this specialized training include techniques for interviewing sexual abuse victims? (N/A if the agency does not conduct any form of administrative or criminal sexual abuse investigations. See 115.21(a).)	yes
	Does this specialized training include proper use of Miranda and Garrity warnings? (N/A if the agency does not conduct any form of administrative or criminal sexual abuse investigations. See 115.21(a).)	yes
	Does this specialized training include sexual abuse evidence collection in confinement settings? (N/A if the agency does not conduct any form of administrative or criminal sexual abuse investigations. See 115.21(a).)	yes
	Does this specialized training include the criteria and evidence required to substantiate a case for administrative action or prosecution referral? (N/A if the agency does not conduct any form of administrative or criminal sexual abuse investigations. See 115.21(a).)	yes

115.34 (c)	Specialized training: Investigations	
	Does the agency maintain documentation that agency investigators have completed the required specialized training in conducting sexual abuse investigations? (N/A if the agency does not conduct any form of administrative or criminal sexual abuse investigations. See 115.21(a).)	yes
115.35 (a)	Specialized training: Medical and mental health care	
	Does the agency ensure that all full- and part-time medical and mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities have been trained in how to detect and assess signs of sexual abuse and sexual harassment? (N/A if the agency does not have any full- or part-time medical or mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities.)	yes
	Does the agency ensure that all full- and part-time medical and mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities have been trained in how to preserve physical evidence of sexual abuse? (N/A if the agency does not have any full- or part-time medical or mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities.)	yes
	Does the agency ensure that all full- and part-time medical and mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities have been trained in how to respond effectively and professionally to victims of sexual abuse and sexual harassment? (N/A if the agency does not have any full- or part-time medical or mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities.)	yes
	Does the agency ensure that all full- and part-time medical and mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities have been trained in how and to whom to report allegations or suspicions of sexual abuse and sexual harassment? (N/A if the agency does not have any full- or part-time medical or mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities.)	yes
115.35 (b)	Specialized training: Medical and mental health care	
	If medical staff employed by the agency conduct forensic examinations, do such medical staff receive appropriate training to conduct such examinations? (N/A if agency medical staff at the facility do not conduct forensic exams or the agency does not employ medical staff.)	na

115.35 (c)	Specialized training: Medical and mental health care	
	Does the agency maintain documentation that medical and mental health practitioners have received the training referenced in this standard either from the agency or elsewhere? (N/A if the agency does not have any full- or part-time medical or mental health care practitioners who work regularly in its facilities.)	yes
115.35 (d)	Specialized training: Medical and mental health care	
	Do medical and mental health care practitioners employed by the agency also receive training mandated for employees by §115.31? (N/A if the agency does not have any full- or part-time medical or mental health care practitioners employed by the agency.)	yes
	Do medical and mental health care practitioners contracted by or volunteering for the agency also receive training mandated for contractors and volunteers by §115.32? (N/A if the agency does not have any full- or part-time medical or mental health care practitioners contracted by or volunteering for the agency.)	yes
115.41 (a)	Screening for risk of victimization and abusiveness	
	Are all inmates assessed during an intake screening for their risk of being sexually abused by other inmates or sexually abusive toward other inmates?	yes
	Are all inmates assessed upon transfer to another facility for their risk of being sexually abused by other inmates or sexually abusive toward other inmates?	yes
115.41 (b)	Screening for risk of victimization and abusiveness	
	Do intake screenings ordinarily take place within 72 hours of arrival at the facility?	yes
115.41 (c)	Screening for risk of victimization and abusiveness	
	Are all PREA screening assessments conducted using an objective screening instrument?	yes

115.41 (d)	Screening for risk of victimization and abusiveness	
	Does the intake screening consider, at a minimum, the following criteria to assess inmates for risk of sexual victimization: (1) Whether the inmate has a mental, physical, or developmental disability?	yes
	Does the intake screening consider, at a minimum, the following criteria to assess inmates for risk of sexual victimization: (2) The age of the inmate?	yes
	Does the intake screening consider, at a minimum, the following criteria to assess inmates for risk of sexual victimization: (3) The physical build of the inmate?	yes
	Does the intake screening consider, at a minimum, the following criteria to assess inmates for risk of sexual victimization: (4) Whether the inmate has previously been incarcerated?	yes
	Does the intake screening consider, at a minimum, the following criteria to assess inmates for risk of sexual victimization: (5) Whether the inmate's criminal history is exclusively nonviolent?	yes
	Does the intake screening consider, at a minimum, the following criteria to assess inmates for risk of sexual victimization: (6) Whether the inmate has prior convictions for sex offenses against an adult or child?	yes
	Does the intake screening consider, at a minimum, the following criteria to assess inmates for risk of sexual victimization: (7) Whether the inmate is or is perceived to be gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, intersex, or gender nonconforming (the facility affirmatively asks the inmate about his/her sexual orientation and gender identity AND makes a subjective determination based on the screener's perception whether the inmate is gender nonconforming or otherwise may be perceived to be LGBTI)?	yes
	Does the intake screening consider, at a minimum, the following criteria to assess inmates for risk of sexual victimization: (8) Whether the inmate has previously experienced sexual victimization?	yes
	Does the intake screening consider, at a minimum, the following criteria to assess inmates for risk of sexual victimization: (9) The inmate's own perception of vulnerability?	yes
	Does the intake screening consider, at a minimum, the following criteria to assess inmates for risk of sexual victimization: (10) Whether the inmate is detained solely for civil immigration purposes?	yes

115.41 (e)	Screening for risk of victimization and abusiveness	
	In assessing inmates for risk of being sexually abusive, does the initial PREA risk screening consider, as known to the agency: prior acts of sexual abuse?	yes
	In assessing inmates for risk of being sexually abusive, does the initial PREA risk screening consider, as known to the agency: prior convictions for violent offenses?	yes
	In assessing inmates for risk of being sexually abusive, does the initial PREA risk screening consider, as known to the agency: history of prior institutional violence or sexual abuse?	yes
115.41 (f)	Screening for risk of victimization and abusiveness	
	Within a set time period not more than 30 days from the inmate's arrival at the facility, does the facility reassess the inmate's risk of victimization or abusiveness based upon any additional, relevant information received by the facility since the intake screening?	yes
115.41 (g)	Screening for risk of victimization and abusiveness	
	Does the facility reassess an inmate's risk level when warranted due to a referral?	yes
	Does the facility reassess an inmate's risk level when warranted due to a request?	yes
	Does the facility reassess an inmate's risk level when warranted due to an incident of sexual abuse?	yes
	Does the facility reassess an inmate's risk level when warranted due to receipt of additional information that bears on the inmate's risk of sexual victimization or abusiveness?	yes
115.41 (h)	Screening for risk of victimization and abusiveness	
	Is it the case that inmates are not ever disciplined for refusing to answer, or for not disclosing complete information in response to, questions asked pursuant to paragraphs $(d)(1)$, $(d)(7)$, $(d)(8)$, or $(d)(9)$ of this section?	yes
115.41 (i)	Screening for risk of victimization and abusiveness	
	Has the agency implemented appropriate controls on the dissemination within the facility of responses to questions asked pursuant to this standard in order to ensure that sensitive information is not exploited to the inmate's detriment by staff or other inmates?	yes

115.42 (a)	Use of screening information	
	Does the agency use information from the risk screening required by § 115.41, with the goal of keeping separate those inmates at high risk of being sexually victimized from those at high risk of being sexually abusive, to inform: Housing Assignments?	yes
	Does the agency use information from the risk screening required by § 115.41, with the goal of keeping separate those inmates at high risk of being sexually victimized from those at high risk of being sexually abusive, to inform: Bed assignments?	yes
	Does the agency use information from the risk screening required by § 115.41, with the goal of keeping separate those inmates at high risk of being sexually victimized from those at high risk of being sexually abusive, to inform: Work Assignments?	yes
	Does the agency use information from the risk screening required by § 115.41, with the goal of keeping separate those inmates at high risk of being sexually victimized from those at high risk of being sexually abusive, to inform: Education Assignments?	yes
	Does the agency use information from the risk screening required by § 115.41, with the goal of keeping separate those inmates at high risk of being sexually victimized from those at high risk of being sexually abusive, to inform: Program Assignments?	yes
115.42 (b)	Use of screening information	
	Does the agency make individualized determinations about how to ensure the safety of each inmate?	yes
115.42 (c)	Use of screening information	
	When deciding whether to assign a transgender or intersex inmate to a facility for male or female inmates, does the agency consider, on a case-by-case basis, whether a placement would ensure the inmate's health and safety, and whether a placement would present management or security problems (NOTE: if an agency by policy or practice assigns inmates to a male or female facility on the basis of anatomy alone, that agency is not in compliance with this standard)?	yes
	When making housing or other program assignments for transgender or intersex inmates, does the agency consider, on a case-by-case basis, whether a placement would ensure the inmate's health and safety, and whether a placement would present management or security problems?	yes

115.42 (d)	Use of screening information	
	Are placement and programming assignments for each transgender or intersex inmate reassessed at least twice each year to review any threats to safety experienced by the inmate?	yes
115.42 (e)	Use of screening information	
	Are each transgender or intersex inmate's own views with respect to his or her own safety given serious consideration when making facility and housing placement decisions and programming assignments?	yes
115.42 (f)	Use of screening information	
	Are transgender and intersex inmates given the opportunity to shower separately from other inmates?	yes
115.42 (g)	Use of screening information	
	Unless placement is in a dedicated facility, unit, or wing established in connection with a consent decree, legal settlement, or legal judgment for the purpose of protecting lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or intersex inmates, does the agency always refrain from placing: lesbian, gay, and bisexual inmates in dedicated facilities, units, or wings solely on the basis of such identification or status? (N/A if the agency has a dedicated facility, unit, or wing solely for the placement of LGBT or I inmates pursuant to a consent degree, legal settlement, or legal judgement.)	yes
	Unless placement is in a dedicated facility, unit, or wing established in connection with a consent decree, legal settlement, or legal judgment for the purpose of protecting lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or intersex inmates, does the agency always refrain from placing: transgender inmates in dedicated facilities, units, or wings solely on the basis of such identification or status? (N/A if the agency has a dedicated facility, unit, or wing solely for the placement of LGBT or I inmates pursuant to a consent degree, legal settlement, or legal judgement.)	yes
	Unless placement is in a dedicated facility, unit, or wing established in connection with a consent decree, legal settlement, or legal judgment for the purpose of protecting lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or intersex inmates, does the agency always refrain from placing: intersex inmates in dedicated facilities, units, or wings solely on the basis of such identification or status? (N/A if the agency has a dedicated facility, unit, or wing solely for the placement of LGBT or I inmates pursuant to a consent degree, legal settlement, or legal judgement.)	yes

115.43 (a)	Protective Custody	
	Does the facility always refrain from placing inmates at high risk for sexual victimization in involuntary segregated housing unless an assessment of all available alternatives has been made, and a determination has been made that there is no available alternative means of separation from likely abusers?	yes
	If a facility cannot conduct such an assessment immediately, does the facility hold the inmate in involuntary segregated housing for less than 24 hours while completing the assessment?	yes
115.43 (b)	Protective Custody	
	Do inmates who are placed in segregated housing because they are at high risk of sexual victimization have access to: Programs to the extent possible?	yes
	Do inmates who are placed in segregated housing because they are at high risk of sexual victimization have access to: Privileges to the extent possible?	yes
	Do inmates who are placed in segregated housing because they are at high risk of sexual victimization have access to: Education to the extent possible?	yes
	Do inmates who are placed in segregated housing because they are at high risk of sexual victimization have access to: Work opportunities to the extent possible?	yes
	If the facility restricts any access to programs, privileges, education, or work opportunities, does the facility document the opportunities that have been limited? (N/A if the facility never restricts access to programs, privileges, education, or work opportunities.)	na
	If the facility restricts access to programs, privileges, education, or work opportunities, does the facility document the duration of the limitation? (N/A if the facility never restricts access to programs, privileges, education, or work opportunities.)	na
	If the facility restricts access to programs, privileges, education, or work opportunities, does the facility document the reasons for such limitations? (N/A if the facility never restricts access to programs, privileges, education, or work opportunities.)	na

115.43 (c)	Protective Custody	
	Does the facility assign inmates at high risk of sexual victimization to involuntary segregated housing only until an alternative means of separation from likely abusers can be arranged?	yes
	Does such an assignment not ordinarily exceed a period of 30 days?	yes
115.43 (d)	Protective Custody	
	If an involuntary segregated housing assignment is made pursuant to paragraph (a) of this section, does the facility clearly document: The basis for the facility's concern for the inmate's safety?	yes
	If an involuntary segregated housing assignment is made pursuant to paragraph (a) of this section, does the facility clearly document: The reason why no alternative means of separation can be arranged?	yes
115.43 (e)	Protective Custody	
	In the case of each inmate who is placed in involuntary segregation because he/she is at high risk of sexual victimization, does the facility afford a review to determine whether there is a continuing need for separation from the general population EVERY 30 DAYS?	yes
115.51 (a)	Inmate reporting	
	Does the agency provide multiple internal ways for inmates to privately report: Sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes
	Does the agency provide multiple internal ways for inmates to privately report: Retaliation by other inmates or staff for reporting sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes
	Does the agency provide multiple internal ways for inmates to privately report: Staff neglect or violation of responsibilities that may have contributed to such incidents?	yes

115.51 (b)	Inmate reporting	
	Does the agency also provide at least one way for inmates to report sexual abuse or sexual harassment to a public or private entity or office that is not part of the agency?	yes
	Is that private entity or office able to receive and immediately forward inmate reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment to agency officials?	yes
	Does that private entity or office allow the inmate to remain anonymous upon request?	yes
	Are inmates detained solely for civil immigration purposes provided information on how to contact relevant consular officials and relevant officials at the Department of Homeland Security? (N/A if the facility never houses inmates detained solely for civil immigration purposes.)	na
115.51 (c)	Inmate reporting	
	Does staff accept reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment made verbally, in writing, anonymously, and from third parties?	yes
	Does staff promptly document any verbal reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes
115.51 (d)	Inmate reporting	
	Does the agency provide a method for staff to privately report sexual abuse and sexual harassment of inmates?	yes
115.52 (a)	Exhaustion of administrative remedies	
	Is the agency exempt from this standard? NOTE: The agency is exempt ONLY if it does not have administrative procedures to address inmate grievances regarding sexual abuse. This does not mean the agency is exempt simply because an inmate does not have to or is not ordinarily expected to submit a grievance to report sexual abuse. This means that as a matter of explicit policy, the agency does not have an administrative remedies process to address sexual abuse.	yes

115.52 (b)	Exhaustion of administrative remedies	
	Does the agency permit inmates to submit a grievance regarding an allegation of sexual abuse without any type of time limits? (The agency may apply otherwise-applicable time limits to any portion of a grievance that does not allege an incident of sexual abuse.) (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes
	Does the agency always refrain from requiring an inmate to use any informal grievance process, or to otherwise attempt to resolve with staff, an alleged incident of sexual abuse? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes
115.52 (c)	Exhaustion of administrative remedies	
	Does the agency ensure that: An inmate who alleges sexual abuse may submit a grievance without submitting it to a staff member who is the subject of the complaint? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes
	Does the agency ensure that: Such grievance is not referred to a staff member who is the subject of the complaint? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes
115.52 (d)	Exhaustion of administrative remedies	
	Does the agency issue a final agency decision on the merits of any portion of a grievance alleging sexual abuse within 90 days of the initial filing of the grievance? (Computation of the 90-day time period does not include time consumed by inmates in preparing any administrative appeal.) (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes
	If the agency claims the maximum allowable extension of time to respond of up to 70 days per 115.52(d)(3) when the normal time period for response is insufficient to make an appropriate decision, does the agency notify the inmate in writing of any such extension and provide a date by which a decision will be made? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes
	At any level of the administrative process, including the final level, if the inmate does not receive a response within the time allotted for reply, including any properly noticed extension, may an inmate consider the absence of a response to be a denial at that level? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes

115.52 (e)	Exhaustion of administrative remedies	
	Are third parties, including fellow inmates, staff members, family members, attorneys, and outside advocates, permitted to assist inmates in filing requests for administrative remedies relating to allegations of sexual abuse? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes
	Are those third parties also permitted to file such requests on behalf of inmates? (If a third party files such a request on behalf of an inmate, the facility may require as a condition of processing the request that the alleged victim agree to have the request filed on his or her behalf, and may also require the alleged victim to personally pursue any subsequent steps in the administrative remedy process.) (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes
	If the inmate declines to have the request processed on his or her behalf, does the agency document the inmate's decision? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes

115.52 (f)	Exhaustion of administrative remedies	
	Has the agency established procedures for the filing of an emergency grievance alleging that an inmate is subject to a substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes
	After receiving an emergency grievance alleging an inmate is subject to a substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse, does the agency immediately forward the grievance (or any portion thereof that alleges the substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse) to a level of review at which immediate corrective action may be taken? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.).	yes
	After receiving an emergency grievance described above, does the agency provide an initial response within 48 hours? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes
	After receiving an emergency grievance described above, does the agency issue a final agency decision within 5 calendar days? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes
	Does the initial response and final agency decision document the agency's determination whether the inmate is in substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes
	Does the initial response document the agency's action(s) taken in response to the emergency grievance? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes
	Does the agency's final decision document the agency's action(s) taken in response to the emergency grievance? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes
115.52 (g)	Exhaustion of administrative remedies	
	If the agency disciplines an inmate for filing a grievance related to alleged sexual abuse, does it do so ONLY where the agency demonstrates that the inmate filed the grievance in bad faith? (N/A if agency is exempt from this standard.)	yes

115.53 (a)	Inmate access to outside confidential support service	es
	Does the facility provide inmates with access to outside victim advocates for emotional support services related to sexual abuse by giving inmates mailing addresses and telephone numbers, including toll-free hotline numbers where available, of local, State, or national victim advocacy or rape crisis organizations?	yes
	Does the facility provide persons detained solely for civil immigration purposes mailing addresses and telephone numbers, including toll-free hotline numbers where available of local, State, or national immigrant services agencies? (N/A if the facility never has persons detained solely for civil immigration purposes.)	na
	Does the facility enable reasonable communication between inmates and these organizations and agencies, in as confidential a manner as possible?	yes
115.53 (b)	Inmate access to outside confidential support services	
	Does the facility inform inmates, prior to giving them access, of the extent to which such communications will be monitored and the extent to which reports of abuse will be forwarded to authorities in accordance with mandatory reporting laws?	yes
115.53 (c)	Inmate access to outside confidential support service	:S
	Does the agency maintain or attempt to enter into memoranda of understanding or other agreements with community service providers that are able to provide inmates with confidential emotional support services related to sexual abuse?	yes
	Does the agency maintain copies of agreements or documentation showing attempts to enter into such agreements?	yes
115.54 (a)	Third-party reporting	
	Has the agency established a method to receive third-party reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment?	yes
	Has the agency distributed publicly information on how to report sexual abuse and sexual harassment on behalf of an inmate?	yes

115.61 (a)	Staff and agency reporting duties	
	Does the agency require all staff to report immediately and according to agency policy any knowledge, suspicion, or information regarding an incident of sexual abuse or sexual harassment that occurred in a facility, whether or not it is part of the agency?	yes
	Does the agency require all staff to report immediately and according to agency policy any knowledge, suspicion, or information regarding retaliation against inmates or staff who reported an incident of sexual abuse or sexual harassment?	yes
	Does the agency require all staff to report immediately and according to agency policy any knowledge, suspicion, or information regarding any staff neglect or violation of responsibilities that may have contributed to an incident of sexual abuse or sexual harassment or retaliation?	yes
115.61 (b)	Staff and agency reporting duties	
	Apart from reporting to designated supervisors or officials, does staff always refrain from revealing any information related to a sexual abuse report to anyone other than to the extent necessary, as specified in agency policy, to make treatment, investigation, and other security and management decisions?	yes
115.61 (c)	Staff and agency reporting duties	
	Unless otherwise precluded by Federal, State, or local law, are medical and mental health practitioners required to report sexual abuse pursuant to paragraph (a) of this section?	yes
	Are medical and mental health practitioners required to inform inmates of the practitioner's duty to report, and the limitations of confidentiality, at the initiation of services?	yes
115.61 (d)	Staff and agency reporting duties	
	If the alleged victim is under the age of 18 or considered a vulnerable adult under a State or local vulnerable persons statute, does the agency report the allegation to the designated State or local services agency under applicable mandatory reporting laws?	yes
115.61 (e)	Staff and agency reporting duties	
	Does the facility report all allegations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment, including third-party and anonymous reports, to the facility's designated investigators?	yes

115.62 (a)	Agency protection duties	
	When the agency learns that an inmate is subject to a substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse, does it take immediate action to protect the inmate?	yes
115.63 (a)	Reporting to other confinement facilities	
	Upon receiving an allegation that an inmate was sexually abused while confined at another facility, does the head of the facility that received the allegation notify the head of the facility or appropriate office of the agency where the alleged abuse occurred?	yes
115.63 (b)	Reporting to other confinement facilities	
	Is such notification provided as soon as possible, but no later than 72 hours after receiving the allegation?	yes
115.63 (c)	Reporting to other confinement facilities	
	Does the agency document that it has provided such notification?	yes
115.63 (d)	Reporting to other confinement facilities	
	Does the facility head or agency office that receives such notification ensure that the allegation is investigated in accordance with these standards?	yes

115.64 (a)	Staff first responder duties	
	Upon learning of an allegation that an inmate was sexually abused, is the first security staff member to respond to the report required to: Separate the alleged victim and abuser?	yes
	Upon learning of an allegation that an inmate was sexually abused, is the first security staff member to respond to the report required to: Preserve and protect any crime scene until appropriate steps can be taken to collect any evidence?	yes
	Upon learning of an allegation that an inmate was sexually abused, is the first security staff member to respond to the report required to: Request that the alleged victim not take any actions that could destroy physical evidence, including, as appropriate, washing, brushing teeth, changing clothes, urinating, defecating, smoking, drinking, or eating, if the abuse occurred within a time period that still allows for the collection of physical evidence?	yes
	Upon learning of an allegation that an inmate was sexually abused, is the first security staff member to respond to the report required to: Ensure that the alleged abuser does not take any actions that could destroy physical evidence, including, as appropriate, washing, brushing teeth, changing clothes, urinating, defecating, smoking, drinking, or eating, if the abuse occurred within a time period that still allows for the collection of physical evidence?	yes
115.64 (b)	Staff first responder duties	
	If the first staff responder is not a security staff member, is the responder required to request that the alleged victim not take any actions that could destroy physical evidence, and then notify security staff?	yes
115.65 (a)	Coordinated response	
	Has the facility developed a written institutional plan to coordinate actions among staff first responders, medical and mental health practitioners, investigators, and facility leadership taken in response to an incident of sexual abuse?	yes

115.66 (a)	Preservation of ability to protect inmates from contact abusers	ct with
	Are both the agency and any other governmental entities responsible for collective bargaining on the agency's behalf prohibited from entering into or renewing any collective bargaining agreement or other agreement that limit the agency's ability to remove alleged staff sexual abusers from contact with any inmates pending the outcome of an investigation or of a determination of whether and to what extent discipline is warranted?	yes
115.67 (a)	Agency protection against retaliation	
	Has the agency established a policy to protect all inmates and staff who report sexual abuse or sexual harassment or cooperate with sexual abuse or sexual harassment investigations from retaliation by other inmates or staff?	yes
	Has the agency designated which staff members or departments are charged with monitoring retaliation?	yes
115.67 (b)	Agency protection against retaliation	
	Does the agency employ multiple protection measures, such as housing changes or transfers for inmate victims or abusers, removal of alleged staff or inmate abusers from contact with victims, and emotional support services for inmates or staff who fear retaliation for reporting sexual abuse or sexual harassment or for cooperating with investigations?	yes

115.67 (c)	Agency protection against retaliation	
	Except in instances where the agency determines that a report of sexual abuse is unfounded, for at least 90 days following a report of sexual abuse, does the agency: Monitor the conduct and treatment of inmates or staff who reported the sexual abuse to see if there are changes that may suggest possible retaliation by inmates or staff?	yes
	Except in instances where the agency determines that a report of sexual abuse is unfounded, for at least 90 days following a report of sexual abuse, does the agency: Monitor the conduct and treatment of inmates who were reported to have suffered sexual abuse to see if there are changes that may suggest possible retaliation by inmates or staff?	yes
	Except in instances where the agency determines that a report of sexual abuse is unfounded, for at least 90 days following a report of sexual abuse, does the agency: Act promptly to remedy any such retaliation?	yes
	Except in instances where the agency determines that a report of sexual abuse is unfounded, for at least 90 days following a report of sexual abuse, does the agency: Monitor any inmate disciplinary reports?	yes
	Except in instances where the agency determines that a report of sexual abuse is unfounded, for at least 90 days following a report of sexual abuse, does the agency: Monitor inmate housing changes?	yes
	Except in instances where the agency determines that a report of sexual abuse is unfounded, for at least 90 days following a report of sexual abuse, does the agency: Monitor inmate program changes?	yes
	Except in instances where the agency determines that a report of sexual abuse is unfounded, for at least 90 days following a report of sexual abuse, does the agency: Monitor negative performance reviews of staff?	yes
	Except in instances where the agency determines that a report of sexual abuse is unfounded, for at least 90 days following a report of sexual abuse, does the agency: Monitor reassignments of staff?	yes
	Does the agency continue such monitoring beyond 90 days if the initial monitoring indicates a continuing need?	yes

115.67 (d)	Agency protection against retaliation	
	In the case of inmates, does such monitoring also include periodic status checks?	yes
115.67 (e)	Agency protection against retaliation	
	If any other individual who cooperates with an investigation expresses a fear of retaliation, does the agency take appropriate measures to protect that individual against retaliation?	yes
115.68 (a)	Post-allegation protective custody	
	Is any and all use of segregated housing to protect an inmate who is alleged to have suffered sexual abuse subject to the requirements of § 115.43?	yes
115.71 (a)	Criminal and administrative agency investigations	
	When the agency conducts its own investigations into allegations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment, does it do so promptly, thoroughly, and objectively? (N/A if the agency/facility is not responsible for conducting any form of criminal OR administrative sexual abuse investigations. See 115.21(a).)	yes
	Does the agency conduct such investigations for all allegations, including third party and anonymous reports? (N/A if the agency/ facility is not responsible for conducting any form of criminal OR administrative sexual abuse investigations. See 115.21(a).)	yes
115.71 (b)	Criminal and administrative agency investigations	
	Where sexual abuse is alleged, does the agency use investigators who have received specialized training in sexual abuse investigations as required by 115.34?	yes
115.71 (c)	Criminal and administrative agency investigations	
	Do investigators gather and preserve direct and circumstantial evidence, including any available physical and DNA evidence and any available electronic monitoring data?	yes
	Do investigators interview alleged victims, suspected perpetrators, and witnesses?	yes
	Do investigators review prior reports and complaints of sexual abuse involving the suspected perpetrator?	yes

115.71 (d)	Criminal and administrative agency investigations	
	When the quality of evidence appears to support criminal prosecution, does the agency conduct compelled interviews only after consulting with prosecutors as to whether compelled interviews may be an obstacle for subsequent criminal prosecution?	yes
115.71 (e)	Criminal and administrative agency investigations	
	Do agency investigators assess the credibility of an alleged victim, suspect, or witness on an individual basis and not on the basis of that individual's status as inmate or staff?	yes
	Does the agency investigate allegations of sexual abuse without requiring an inmate who alleges sexual abuse to submit to a polygraph examination or other truth-telling device as a condition for proceeding?	yes
115.71 (f)	Criminal and administrative agency investigations	
	Do administrative investigations include an effort to determine whether staff actions or failures to act contributed to the abuse?	yes
	Are administrative investigations documented in written reports that include a description of the physical evidence and testimonial evidence, the reasoning behind credibility assessments, and investigative facts and findings?	yes
115.71 (g)	Criminal and administrative agency investigations	
	Are criminal investigations documented in a written report that contains a thorough description of the physical, testimonial, and documentary evidence and attaches copies of all documentary evidence where feasible?	yes
115.71 (h)	Criminal and administrative agency investigations	
	Are all substantiated allegations of conduct that appears to be criminal referred for prosecution?	yes
115.71 (i)	Criminal and administrative agency investigations	
	Does the agency retain all written reports referenced in 115.71(f) and (g) for as long as the alleged abuser is incarcerated or employed by the agency, plus five years?	yes

115.71 (j)	Criminal and administrative agency investigations	
	Does the agency ensure that the departure of an alleged abuser or victim from the employment or control of the agency does not provide a basis for terminating an investigation?	yes
115.71 (I)	Criminal and administrative agency investigations	
	When an outside entity investigates sexual abuse, does the facility cooperate with outside investigators and endeavor to remain informed about the progress of the investigation? (N/A if an outside agency does not conduct administrative or criminal sexual abuse investigations. See 115.21(a).)	yes
115.72 (a)	Evidentiary standard for administrative investigations	
	Is it true that the agency does not impose a standard higher than a preponderance of the evidence in determining whether allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment are substantiated?	yes
115.73 (a)	Reporting to inmates	
	Following an investigation into an inmate's allegation that he or she suffered sexual abuse in an agency facility, does the agency inform the inmate as to whether the allegation has been determined to be substantiated, unsubstantiated, or unfounded?	yes
115.73 (b)	Reporting to inmates	
	If the agency did not conduct the investigation into an inmate's allegation of sexual abuse in an agency facility, does the agency request the relevant information from the investigative agency in order to inform the inmate? (N/A if the agency/facility is responsible for conducting administrative and criminal investigations.)	yes

Reporting to inmates	
Following an inmate's allegation that a staff member has committed sexual abuse against the resident, unless the agency has determined that the allegation is unfounded, or unless the inmate has been released from custody, does the agency subsequently inform the resident whenever: The staff member is no longer posted within the inmate's unit?	yes
Following an inmate's allegation that a staff member has committed sexual abuse against the resident, unless the agency has determined that the allegation is unfounded, or unless the resident has been released from custody, does the agency subsequently inform the resident whenever: The staff member is no longer employed at the facility?	yes
Following an inmate's allegation that a staff member has committed sexual abuse against the resident, unless the agency has determined that the allegation is unfounded, or unless the resident has been released from custody, does the agency subsequently inform the resident whenever: The agency learns that the staff member has been indicted on a charge related to sexual abuse in the facility?	yes
Following an inmate's allegation that a staff member has committed sexual abuse against the resident, unless the agency has determined that the allegation is unfounded, or unless the resident has been released from custody, does the agency subsequently inform the resident whenever: The agency learns that the staff member has been convicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility?	yes
Reporting to inmates	
Following an inmate's allegation that he or she has been sexually abused by another inmate, does the agency subsequently inform the alleged victim whenever: The agency learns that the alleged abuser has been indicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility?	yes
Following an inmate's allegation that he or she has been sexually abused by another inmate, does the agency subsequently inform the alleged victim whenever: The agency learns that the alleged abuser has been convicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility?	yes
Reporting to inmates	
Does the agency document all such notifications or attempted notifications?	yes
	Following an inmate's allegation that a staff member has committed sexual abuse against the resident, unless the agency has determined that the allegation is unfounded, or unless the inmate has been released from custody, does the agency subsequently inform the resident whenever: The staff member is no longer posted within the inmate's unit? Following an inmate's allegation that a staff member has committed sexual abuse against the resident, unless the agency has determined that the allegation is unfounded, or unless the resident has been released from custody, does the agency subsequently inform the resident whenever: The staff member is no longer employed at the facility? Following an inmate's allegation that a staff member has committed sexual abuse against the resident, unless the agency has determined that the allegation is unfounded, or unless the resident has been released from custody, does the agency subsequently inform the resident whenever: The agency learns that the staff member has been indicted on a charge related to sexual abuse in the facility? Following an inmate's allegation that a staff member has committed sexual abuse against the resident, unless the agency has determined that the allegation is unfounded, or unless the resident has been released from custody, does the agency subsequently inform the resident whenever: The agency learns that the staff member has been convicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility? Reporting to inmates Following an inmate's allegation that he or she has been sexually abused by another inmate, does the agency learns that the alleged abuser has been indicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility? Following an inmate's allegation that he or she has been sexually abused by another inmate, does the agency subsequently inform the alleged victim whenever: The agency learns that the alleged abuser has been convicted on a charge related to sexual abuse within the facility?

115.76 (a)	Disciplinary sanctions for staff	
	Are staff subject to disciplinary sanctions up to and including termination for violating agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies?	yes
115.76 (b)	Disciplinary sanctions for staff	
	Is termination the presumptive disciplinary sanction for staff who have engaged in sexual abuse?	yes
115.76 (c)	Disciplinary sanctions for staff	
	Are disciplinary sanctions for violations of agency policies relating to sexual abuse or sexual harassment (other than actually engaging in sexual abuse) commensurate with the nature and circumstances of the acts committed, the staff member's disciplinary history, and the sanctions imposed for comparable offenses by other staff with similar histories?	yes
115.76 (d)	Disciplinary sanctions for staff	
	Are all terminations for violations of agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies, or resignations by staff who would have been terminated if not for their resignation, reported to: Law enforcement agencies(unless the activity was clearly not criminal)?	yes
	Are all terminations for violations of agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies, or resignations by staff who would have been terminated if not for their resignation, reported to: Relevant licensing bodies?	yes
115.77 (a)	Corrective action for contractors and volunteers	
	Is any contractor or volunteer who engages in sexual abuse prohibited from contact with inmates?	yes
	Is any contractor or volunteer who engages in sexual abuse reported to: Law enforcement agencies (unless the activity was clearly not criminal)?	yes
	Is any contractor or volunteer who engages in sexual abuse reported to: Relevant licensing bodies?	yes
115.77 (b)	Corrective action for contractors and volunteers	
	In the case of any other violation of agency sexual abuse or sexual harassment policies by a contractor or volunteer, does the facility take appropriate remedial measures, and consider whether to prohibit further contact with inmates?	yes

115.78 (a)	Disciplinary sanctions for inmates	
	Following an administrative finding that an inmate engaged in inmate-on-inmate sexual abuse, or following a criminal finding of guilt for inmate-on-inmate sexual abuse, are inmates subject to disciplinary sanctions pursuant to a formal disciplinary process?	yes
115.78 (b)	Disciplinary sanctions for inmates	
	Are sanctions commensurate with the nature and circumstances of the abuse committed, the inmate's disciplinary history, and the sanctions imposed for comparable offenses by other inmates with similar histories?	yes
115.78 (c)	Disciplinary sanctions for inmates	
	When determining what types of sanction, if any, should be imposed, does the disciplinary process consider whether an inmate's mental disabilities or mental illness contributed to his or her behavior?	yes
115.78 (d)	Disciplinary sanctions for inmates	
	If the facility offers therapy, counseling, or other interventions designed to address and correct underlying reasons or motivations for the abuse, does the facility consider whether to require the offending inmate to participate in such interventions as a condition of access to programming and other benefits?	yes
115.78 (e)	Disciplinary sanctions for inmates	
	Does the agency discipline an inmate for sexual contact with staff only upon a finding that the staff member did not consent to such contact?	yes
115.78 (f)	Disciplinary sanctions for inmates	
	For the purpose of disciplinary action does a report of sexual abuse made in good faith based upon a reasonable belief that the alleged conduct occurred NOT constitute falsely reporting an incident or lying, even if an investigation does not establish evidence sufficient to substantiate the allegation?	yes
115.78 (g)	Disciplinary sanctions for inmates	
	If the agency prohibits all sexual activity between inmates, does the agency always refrain from considering non-coercive sexual activity between inmates to be sexual abuse? (N/A if the agency does not prohibit all sexual activity between inmates.)	yes

115.81 (a)	Medical and mental health screenings; history of sexual abuse	
	If the screening pursuant to § 115.41 indicates that a prison inmate has experienced prior sexual victimization, whether it occurred in an institutional setting or in the community, do staff ensure that the inmate is offered a follow-up meeting with a medical or mental health practitioner within 14 days of the intake screening? (N/A if the facility is not a prison).	yes
115.81 (b)	Medical and mental health screenings; history of sext	ual abuse
	If the screening pursuant to § 115.41 indicates that a prison inmate has previously perpetrated sexual abuse, whether it occurred in an institutional setting or in the community, do staff ensure that the inmate is offered a follow-up meeting with a mental health practitioner within 14 days of the intake screening? (N/A if the facility is not a prison.)	yes
115.81 (c)	Medical and mental health screenings; history of sext	ual abuse
	If the screening pursuant to § 115.41 indicates that a jail inmate has experienced prior sexual victimization, whether it occurred in an institutional setting or in the community, do staff ensure that the inmate is offered a follow-up meeting with a medical or mental health practitioner within 14 days of the intake screening? (N/A if the facility is not a jail).	yes
115.81 (d)	Medical and mental health screenings; history of sex	ual abuse
	Is any information related to sexual victimization or abusiveness that occurred in an institutional setting strictly limited to medical and mental health practitioners and other staff as necessary to inform treatment plans and security management decisions, including housing, bed, work, education, and program assignments, or as otherwise required by Federal, State, or local law?	yes
115.81 (e)	Medical and mental health screenings; history of sex	ual abuse
	Do medical and mental health practitioners obtain informed consent from inmates before reporting information about prior sexual victimization that did not occur in an institutional setting, unless the inmate is under the age of 18?	yes

115.82 (a)	Access to emergency medical and mental health services	
	Do inmate victims of sexual abuse receive timely, unimpeded access to emergency medical treatment and crisis intervention services, the nature and scope of which are determined by medical and mental health practitioners according to their professional judgment?	yes
115.82 (b)	Access to emergency medical and mental health serv	rices
	If no qualified medical or mental health practitioners are on duty at the time a report of recent sexual abuse is made, do security staff first responders take preliminary steps to protect the victim pursuant to § 115.62?	yes
	Do security staff first responders immediately notify the appropriate medical and mental health practitioners?	yes
115.82 (c)	Access to emergency medical and mental health serv	ices
	Are inmate victims of sexual abuse offered timely information about and timely access to emergency contraception and sexually transmitted infections prophylaxis, in accordance with professionally accepted standards of care, where medically appropriate?	yes
115.82 (d)	Access to emergency medical and mental health serv	ices
	Are treatment services provided to the victim without financial cost and regardless of whether the victim names the abuser or cooperates with any investigation arising out of the incident?	yes
115.83 (a)	Ongoing medical and mental health care for sexual a victims and abusers	buse
	Does the facility offer medical and mental health evaluation and, as appropriate, treatment to all inmates who have been victimized by sexual abuse in any prison, jail, lockup, or juvenile facility?	yes
115.83 (b)	Ongoing medical and mental health care for sexual abuse victims and abusers	
	Does the evaluation and treatment of such victims include, as appropriate, follow-up services, treatment plans, and, when necessary, referrals for continued care following their transfer to, or placement in, other facilities, or their release from custody?	yes

115.83 (c)	Ongoing medical and mental health care for sexual abuse victims and abusers	
	Does the facility provide such victims with medical and mental health services consistent with the community level of care?	yes
115.83 (d)	Ongoing medical and mental health care for sexual a victims and abusers	buse
	Are inmate victims of sexually abusive vaginal penetration while incarcerated offered pregnancy tests? (N/A if "all male" facility. Note: in "all male" facilities there may be inmates who identify as transgender men who may have female genitalia. Auditors should be sure to know whether such individuals may be in the population and whether this provision may apply in specific circumstances.)	na
115.83 (e)	Ongoing medical and mental health care for sexual a victims and abusers	buse
	If pregnancy results from the conduct described in paragraph § 115.83(d), do such victims receive timely and comprehensive information about and timely access to all lawful pregnancy-related medical services? (N/A if "all male" facility. Note: in "all male" facilities there may be inmates who identify as transgender men who may have female genitalia. Auditors should be sure to know whether such individuals may be in the population and whether this provision may apply in specific circumstances.)	na
115.83 (f)	Ongoing medical and mental health care for sexual abuse victims and abusers	
	Are inmate victims of sexual abuse while incarcerated offered tests for sexually transmitted infections as medically appropriate?	yes
115.83 (g)	Ongoing medical and mental health care for sexual abuse victims and abusers	
	Are treatment services provided to the victim without financial cost and regardless of whether the victim names the abuser or cooperates with any investigation arising out of the incident?	yes

115.83 (h)	Ongoing medical and mental health care for sexual abuse victims and abusers	
	If the facility is a prison, does it attempt to conduct a mental health evaluation of all known inmate-on-inmate abusers within 60 days of learning of such abuse history and offer treatment when deemed appropriate by mental health practitioners? (NA if the facility is a jail.)	yes
115.86 (a)	Sexual abuse incident reviews	
	Does the facility conduct a sexual abuse incident review at the conclusion of every sexual abuse investigation, including where the allegation has not been substantiated, unless the allegation has been determined to be unfounded?	yes
115.86 (b)	Sexual abuse incident reviews	
	Does such review ordinarily occur within 30 days of the conclusion of the investigation?	yes
115.86 (c)	Sexual abuse incident reviews	
	Does the review team include upper-level management officials, with input from line supervisors, investigators, and medical or mental health practitioners?	yes

115.86 (d)	Sexual abuse incident reviews	
	Does the review team: Consider whether the allegation or investigation indicates a need to change policy or practice to better prevent, detect, or respond to sexual abuse?	yes
	Does the review team: Consider whether the incident or allegation was motivated by race; ethnicity; gender identity; lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or intersex identification, status, or perceived status; gang affiliation; or other group dynamics at the facility?	yes
	Does the review team: Examine the area in the facility where the incident allegedly occurred to assess whether physical barriers in the area may enable abuse?	yes
	Does the review team: Assess the adequacy of staffing levels in that area during different shifts?	yes
	Does the review team: Assess whether monitoring technology should be deployed or augmented to supplement supervision by staff?	yes
	Does the review team: Prepare a report of its findings, including but not necessarily limited to determinations made pursuant to §§ 115.86(d)(1)-(d)(5), and any recommendations for improvement and submit such report to the facility head and PREA compliance manager?	yes
115.86 (e)	Sexual abuse incident reviews	
	Does the facility implement the recommendations for improvement, or document its reasons for not doing so?	yes
115.87 (a)	Data collection	
	Does the agency collect accurate, uniform data for every allegation of sexual abuse at facilities under its direct control using a standardized instrument and set of definitions?	yes
115.87 (b)	Data collection	
	Does the agency aggregate the incident-based sexual abuse data at least annually?	yes
115.87 (c)	Data collection	
	Does the incident-based data include, at a minimum, the data necessary to answer all questions from the most recent version of the Survey of Sexual Violence conducted by the Department of Justice?	yes

115.87 (d)	Data collection	
	Does the agency maintain, review, and collect data as needed from all available incident-based documents, including reports, investigation files, and sexual abuse incident reviews?	yes
115.87 (e)	Data collection	
	Does the agency also obtain incident-based and aggregated data from every private facility with which it contracts for the confinement of its inmates? (N/A if agency does not contract for the confinement of its inmates.)	na
115.87 (f)	Data collection	
	Does the agency, upon request, provide all such data from the previous calendar year to the Department of Justice no later than June 30? (N/A if DOJ has not requested agency data.)	yes
115.88 (a)	Data review for corrective action	
	Does the agency review data collected and aggregated pursuant to § 115.87 in order to assess and improve the effectiveness of its sexual abuse prevention, detection, and response policies, practices, and training, including by: Identifying problem areas?	yes
	Does the agency review data collected and aggregated pursuant to § 115.87 in order to assess and improve the effectiveness of its sexual abuse prevention, detection, and response policies, practices, and training, including by: Taking corrective action on an ongoing basis?	yes
	Does the agency review data collected and aggregated pursuant to § 115.87 in order to assess and improve the effectiveness of its sexual abuse prevention, detection, and response policies, practices, and training, including by: Preparing an annual report of its findings and corrective actions for each facility, as well as the agency as a whole?	yes
115.88 (b)	Data review for corrective action	
	Does the agency's annual report include a comparison of the current year's data and corrective actions with those from prior years and provide an assessment of the agency's progress in addressing sexual abuse?	yes
115.88 (c)	Data review for corrective action	
	Is the agency's annual report approved by the agency head and made readily available to the public through its website or, if it does not have one, through other means?	yes

115.88 (d)	Data review for corrective action		
	Does the agency indicate the nature of the material redacted where it redacts specific material from the reports when publication would present a clear and specific threat to the safety and security of a facility?	yes	
115.89 (a)	Data storage, publication, and destruction		
	Does the agency ensure that data collected pursuant to § 115.87 are securely retained?	yes	
115.89 (b)	Data storage, publication, and destruction		
	Does the agency make all aggregated sexual abuse data, from facilities under its direct control and private facilities with which it contracts, readily available to the public at least annually through its website or, if it does not have one, through other means?	yes	
115.89 (c)	Data storage, publication, and destruction		
	Does the agency remove all personal identifiers before making aggregated sexual abuse data publicly available?	yes	
115.89 (d)	Data storage, publication, and destruction		
	Does the agency maintain sexual abuse data collected pursuant to § 115.87 for at least 10 years after the date of the initial collection, unless Federal, State, or local law requires otherwise?	yes	
115.401 (a)	Frequency and scope of audits		
	During the prior three-year audit period, did the agency ensure that each facility operated by the agency, or by a private organization on behalf of the agency, was audited at least once? (Note: The response here is purely informational. A "no" response does not impact overall compliance with this standard.)	yes	

115.401 (b)	Frequency and scope of audits	
	Is this the first year of the current audit cycle? (Note: a "no" response does not impact overall compliance with this standard.)	yes
	If this is the second year of the current audit cycle, did the agency ensure that at least one-third of each facility type operated by the agency, or by a private organization on behalf of the agency, was audited during the first year of the current audit cycle? (N/A if this is not the second year of the current audit cycle.)	na
	If this is the third year of the current audit cycle, did the agency ensure that at least two-thirds of each facility type operated by the agency, or by a private organization on behalf of the agency, were audited during the first two years of the current audit cycle? (N/A if this is not the third year of the current audit cycle.)	na
115.401 (h)	Frequency and scope of audits	
	Did the auditor have access to, and the ability to observe, all areas of the audited facility?	yes
115.401 (i)	Frequency and scope of audits	
	Was the auditor permitted to request and receive copies of any relevant documents (including electronically stored information)?	yes
115.401 (m)	Frequency and scope of audits	
	Was the auditor permitted to conduct private interviews with inmates, residents, and detainees?	yes
115.401 (n)	Frequency and scope of audits	
	Were inmates permitted to send confidential information or correspondence to the auditor in the same manner as if they were communicating with legal counsel?	yes

115.403 (f)	Audit contents and findings	
	The agency has published on its agency website, if it has one, or has otherwise made publicly available, all Final Audit Reports. The review period is for prior audits completed during the past three years PRECEDING THIS AUDIT. The pendency of any agency appeal pursuant to 28 C.F.R. § 115.405 does not excuse noncompliance with this provision. (N/A if there have been no Final Audit Reports issued in the past three years, or, in the case of single facility agencies, there has never been a Final Audit Report issued.)	yes